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4 May	Viceroy of India ..	vessels	19,000
11 ,,	Mantua ..		10,946
18 ,,	Kaisar-i-Hind	will	11,518
25 ,,	Narkunda ..		16,572
1 June	Macedonia ..	now	11,000
8 ,,	Morea ..		10,954
15 ,,	Razmak ..	sail	10,602
22 ,,	Mooltana ..		20,847
29 ,,	Rawalpindi ..	direct	16,619
6 July	Rajputana ..		16,568
13 ,,	Mantua ..	from	10,946
20 ,,	Maloja ..		20,837
27 ,,	Kaiser-i-Hind	Bombay	11,518
3 Aug.	Ranpura ..		16,601
10 ,,	Macedonia ..		11,120
17 ,,	Naldera ..	without	16,088
24 ,,	Razmak ..		10,602
31 ,,	Malwa ..	transship	11,000
7 Sept.	Rawalpindi ..		16,619
14 ,,	Narkunda ..	ment	16,572
21 ,,	Rajputana ..		16,518
28 ,,	Morea ..		10,946
5 Oct.	Viceroy of India ..	at	19,000
12 ,,	Mantua ..	Aden	10,946
19 ,,	Kaisar-i-Hind		11,518
26 ,,	Razmak ..		10,602

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5th May	Sydney Maru	Straits & Japan.
10th ,,	Rajputana ..	Colombo, Straits China & Japan.
20th ,,	Mirzapore ..	Straits China and Japan.
24th ,,	Maloja ..	Colombo and Australia.
29th ,,	Alipore ..	Straits China and Japan.
7th June.	Ranpura ..	Colombo, Straits China & Japan
21st ,,	Naldera ..	Colombo and Australia.

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PUBLIC NOTICES.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL

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GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY

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4. The result of the tenders will be notified in the "'Indian Trade Journal."

D. S. BURN,
Agent, G. I. P. Railway.

18th April, 1929.

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LEGAL NOTICES.

HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY

INSOLVENCY NO. 313 OF 1929.

Re: SURJI KHETSY and DAMODAR NANJI, both of Bombay, Hindu Inhabitants, Owners of the firms of Messrs. Mulji Surji and Messrs. Vrajlal Mulji, doing business in co-partnership in the names of their said firms of Messrs. Mulji Surji and Messrs. Vrajlal Mulji, as Ghee and Sugar Merchants at Kazi Sayad Street, outside the Fort of Bombay, and residing at Vadgadi and New Hanuman Lane, outside the Fort of Bombay . Adjudged Insolvents.

Exparte: JAYANTILAL BABALDAS, a firm, Jayantilal Kesarichand, a firm, Shantilal Kantilal and Co., a firm, Hirjibhai Parpiya, a firm, and Tribhowandas Jamnadas and Co., a firm

..... Petitioning Creditors.

WHEREAS the abovenamed SURJI KHETSEY and DAMODAR NANJI have been this day duly adjudged to have committed acts of Insolvency under Section IX of the Presidency Towns Insolvency Act, 1909, (III of 1909). It is ordered that the estate and effects of the said Insolvents do vest in the Official Assignee of this Honourable Court, and it is further ordered that the said Insolvents do immediately after the service of the order of adjudication upon them attend the Office of the said Official Assignee.

Dated this 16th day of April, 1929.

S. K. BRAHMANDKAR,
Ag. Chief Clerk.

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LEGAL NOTICES.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

Suit No. 465 of 1929.

DAMJI MAVJI and others ..... Plaintiffs.

vs.

SHAMJI JADHAVJI DEVKARAN and others .. Defendants.

To,

NOOR MAHOMED HAJI JETHABHAI Deft. No. 2,
MEHERALLI HAJI JETHABHAI Deft. No. 3,
BAI JENABAI, widow of Khaoja Alibhai Sunderji Devsi No. 4,
PEERBHAI SUNDERJI Defendant No. 5,
ISMAILJI KARIM Defendant No. 6,
DOONGERSEY SEVJI Defendant No. 7.

WHEREAS the Plaintiffs abovenamed have filed the above suit against the defendants to recover the sum of Rs. 1,66,330-11-8 with interest and costs due to them under an Indenture of Mortgage mentioned in the Plaint and to realise their mortgage security by sale thereof that in case the net sale proceeds are insufficient; that in case the net sale proceeds are insufficient to pay the amount due to the plaintiffs and defendant No. 8 and subsequent interest and costs in full after giving credit to the defendant No. 1 of the amount due under the account of the rents and profits as mentioned in the plaint then liberty may be reserved to the Plaintiffs and defendant No. 8 to apply for a personal decree against the 1st defendant for the amount of the balance with interest thereon at the rate of six per cent per annum till payment and for further and other reliefs the hearing of this suit is fixed in this Court on the 22nd day of May, 1929, at 11-15 o'clock standard time when you are summoned to be present in person or by Advocate duly instructed by an Attorney of this Court and able to answer all material questions relating to the suit. In default to your appearance on the day before mentioned the suit will be heard and determined in your absence.

Witness Sir AMBERSON BARRINGTON MARTEN, Knight, Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid this 6th day of April, 1929.

K. M. TALYARKHAN.

K. M. TALYARKHAN
6th April, 1929.

Messrs. SHAMRAO MINOCHEHER and HIRALAL,
Plaintiffs' Attorneys.

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THE BUTLER REPORT

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DR. SAPRU'S ABLE EXPOSURE

Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru, in a statement to "The Pioneer," expresses himself as follows on the Butler committee's Report :—

It is not possible at present to give more than one's first impressions of the summary of the Butler Committee's Report which has appeared in the Press to-day. As a restatement of the relations between the Indian States and the Paramount Power, I do not think that the Report adds substantially to our knowledge. The Committee quotes, apparently with approval, from the famous letter of Lord Reading to His Exalted Highness the Nizam and then they sum up the whole position in a few words, "Paramountcy must remain Paramount."

FAR-REACHING EFFECTS.

From a strictly constitutional point of view, divorced from its implications, not much exception can be taken to this statement, though it must give plenty of food for reflection to those who have been accustomed to emphasising their internal sovereignty. The implications of this doctrine are much more far-reaching and more elusive of close analysis than what is suggested by a superficial view of this doctrine.

As a corollary of this proposition the Committee lay it down that "the rights and obligations of the Paramount Power should not be assigned to persons who are not under its control, for instance, an Indian Government in British India responsible to an Indian Legislature." The Committee further develop this idea and refer to the grave apprehension of the Princes on this score, and record their strong opinion that "in view of the historical nature of the relationship between the Paramount Power and Princes, the latter should not be transferred, without their own agreement to a relationship with a new Government in British India, responsible to the Indian Legislature."

SIR LESLIE SCOTT'S VIEWS.

In one word, the views of Sir Leslie Scott, as disclosed in the Law Quarterly Review, last year, have substantially prevailed with the Committee. When these views were attacked, some of the Princes and the Dewans of some expressed the view or rather suggested, that Sir Leslie Scott had no business to express these views. In fairness to Sir Leslie Scott's position at the Bar, I maintained and maintain that he had every business to express these views as it is the first duty of a counsel to speak to his brief.

It is quite a different thing for us to repudiate the views of Sir Leslie Scott or the Butler Committee. Constitutionally this doctrine overlooks the difference between the paramountcy of the Paramount Power, and the form of Government which that Power may establish in India.

NEGATION OF INDIA'S CLAIM.

Politically it is the negation of India's claim to the status of a Dominion and it is by no means hazardous to say that it probably foreshadows the ultimate principle on which the Simon Commission will build up their fabric. In actual practice, it will mean the apotheosis of the Political Department of the Government of India, for the Committee do not favour the proposal for the addition of a Political Member in the Viceroy's Council because "the Princes attach great importance to direct relation with the Viceroy as representing the Crown, and in future the Viceroy, and not the Governor-General-in-Council as at present should be the agent for the Crown in all dealings with the Indian States."

THEORY AND PRACTICE.

The theory for which the Princes stood has, for the time being prevailed, but whether in actual practice their position will be stonger or better when they are in direct relations with the Viceroy, or to put it bluntly, under the tutelage of the Political Secretary which consistently with this theory, will be all the stronger, is open to serious doubt.

Meanwhile approaching the question from the point of view of British India and its demand for Dominion Status, this new theory will be treated as something like the Chinese Wall in the way of India's march towards Dominion Status. It would have been quite a different thing if the Committee had proceeded to discuss the question as to how to readjust the relations of Indian India with a self-governing British India, but this, notwithstanding all the eloquence wasted in certain quarters on the dream of a federated India, the Committee have not permitted themselves to discuss.

As regards their specific recommendations about financial questions or customs or jurisdictions on railways or the establishment of Advisory Committees, I do not think that a solution of these questions was beyond the wisdom of the Government of India, or that a special Committee consisting of such eminent persons was necessary. The recommendation that "the time has come to recruit separately from the Universities in England for service in States alone" may bring some joy to undergraduates at Oxford and Cambridge, it will leave British India cold and we can reconcile to it only as being consistent with the general constitutional theory, evolved in the Report.

THE BIG ISSUE.

This Report will be judged not by its recommendations on individual issues but by its recommendation on the big constitutional issue, and from that point of view I can only say that it creates a division between British India and Indian India all the more injurious to both because it almost threatens to be permanent.

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WEEKLY COTTON REPORT

Bombay, April 18.

Americans:—Since the date of our last writing, values show little change being 4 to 10 points lower, state Messrs. Langley & Co. in their report dated 18th inst.

The period has been one of dull markets and there has been little of interest to write about. The American mills consumption during the month of March at 633,000 bales showed a smaller daily consumption rate than that of February and January but the figure itself was big and slightly larger than private estimates had indicatd and the market acted well on its publication. The weather generally has continued favourable for planting operations, and the fact that the market has remained steady in spite of this leads us to the opinion that the long interest is thoroughly liquidated and that the market is in a position to respond fully to any unfavourable turn in crop preparations.

In the meantime, the trade generally appear to be adopting a waiting. Reports from Textile markets in America state that cloth sales during March were 120 per cent of production with an increase of 7 per cent in unfilled orders and these facts may be taken as a reliable indication that the flourishing state of the dry goods business is showing no signs of ceasing.

Much has been said about the likely increase in acreage and the favourable start to which the crop has got away and we are of the opinion that both these factors are well discounted in the drop in values of roughly 1-1/4 cents from the highest.

With the hazards of the growing season ahead and knowing the propensities of the American farmers for crop killing in its due season we think the present level attractive for purchases, which we recommend in the Liverpool market and preferably in the October position.

Bombay:—Since last we wrote our local market is almost unchanged. Dull markets have been the order of the day with a noticeable falling off in the enquiries from the Far East, particularly China, to which country a large business has been booked.

Shipments continue on a large scale, but equally do the local arrivals and the stock position has shown a slight increase to 12,63,079 Bales.

Our opinion of our own markets remains unchanged and we cannot recommend purchases locally until our statistical position shows a big improvement.

YARN MARKET REPORT.

BOMBAY, April 19.

In sympathy with sagging tendency of the Cotton market, prices in Yarns have experienced a further decline during the week and turnover has consequently been very restricted. Advices from up-country markets are very poor and discouraging and although there has not been a serious decline in prices the Buyers have been holding off with a view to obtain better opportunity to make purchases and this makes the sellers more and more eager to dispose off their holdings at the best available Market rates There has been an absence of confidence once again in the present level of prices, and enquiries have been limited. On the whole certain amount of nervousness has been created in the market with the result that the off take has been considerably smaller than during the past several weeks.

ENGLISH YARNS.

There has been some further decline in prices in Manchester but the decline in the local market has been much more than there and business has been very difficult to arrange except on a small scale. Clearances in spot are also small and dealers have been losing all along.

JAPAN YARN:

There have been large arrivals in all kinds of Japanese Yarns in which dealers have been experiencing a loss, but are nevertheless prepared to sell at the best market rates. Exchange has remained practically unchanged.

ARTIFICIAL SILK YARNS.

The undertone in the local market is yet weak and prices have a tendency to decline yet further, owing to restricted sales. Foreign advices, however, are very steady and it is reported that most of the Manufacturers have increased their limits owing to better sales in other markets. It seems very likely that the effect of this will be felt later on in the local market.

INDIAN YARNS.

The undertone is distinctly easy in the absence of satisfactory buying and due to continued weakness in Cotton. One of the mills which has made a recent start after a few years has made sales of about 4000 bales at rather low prices and this has affected our market very adversely. There has been some scattered buying for Rangoon whereas other markets have been sending poor reports. The tendency is yet weak and unless cotton shows any distinct improvement we do not expect any definite improvement in demand for some time.

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Bombay, April 18.

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Firefly cases	8 7 6
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Swastika brand tins	6 11 6
Rising Sun brand tins	6 9 6
Chukker brand tins	6 9 6
Rising Sun brand bulk per 8 gallons	Imp. 5 5 6
Chukker brand bulk per 8 gallons	Imperial 5 5 6
Swan brand tins	6 1 6
Victoria brand tins	6 1 6
Swan brand bulk per 8 gallons	Imperial 4 13 6
Victoria brand bulk per 8 gallons	Imperial 4 13 6

NEW YORK SUGAR AND WHEAT

New York, April 18.

To-day's closing quotations whereas under:—

Sugar	September	2.06	Cents.
Sugar	December	2.15	Cents.
Wheat	May	1.18 3/8	Dollars.
Wheat	July	1.22 1/2	Dollars.

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WEATHER FAVOURABLE — LARGE ACREAGE IDEAS—INCREASED SELLING PRESSURE —LATER RALLIED ON COVERING—FUTURES IRREGULAR—OLD CROP 5 TO 8 POINTS LOWER—NEW CROP 1 TO 2 POINTS UP.

New York, April 19.

The New York cotton market was again easy to-day on favourable weather. Prices opened at a decline of 6 points and were followed by a further decline of 11 points on increased selling pressure. The acreage ideas are revised upward and some believe it to be in the neighbourhood of 49 millions. If the present acreage turns out to be the largest on record, it is evident that America is preparing to grow another record crop. There is absence of any speculative buying and the market is left to its natural consequences. The statistical situation continues as strong as it could be and with fair business in the textiles trade interests are calling cotton in all easier markets. Holders of unprotected short interest are also covering their sales on declines. The strike situation at Greenville Mills seems to meet an early end and fairly large business is booked. The market rallied 12 points during the last hour. The market closed quiet for near months at a decline of 8 to 5 points while new crop options were relatively steady and closed at a gain of 1 to 2 points. Spot cotton prices were reduced 5 points to 20.40c.

The New Orleans cotton futures market ruled quiet but seady and closed at a decline of 3 to 4 points. Spot cotton prices ruled very steady and closed unchanged at 19.40c.

PRIVATE CABLES.

Messrs. Patel Bros. have received the following cables from New York dated 18th instant:—

July highest 19.65 (2-52 p.m.)
July lowest 19.51 (1.04 p.m.)

Liquidation well taken by trade. Market steadied on short covering.

REUTER:—

"Market was easy on increased selling pressure, stimulated by favourable weather, but later advanced partially on covering.

Messrs. Drennan and Co. have received the following cables from Messrs. A. Norden and Co. New York:—

"Acreage idea being revised upwards. Weather mostly favourable, may ease further. Think that present prices reasonable."

NEW YORK COTTON.

New York, April 18.

May	20.22—.08
July	19.63—.05
October	19.64
December	19.73 + .01
January	19.66—.02
Midding Spot	20.40—.05

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

New York, April 18.

May	19.53—.03
July	19.59—.04
Middling Spot	19.40

NEW YORK.

New York, April 18.

New York 10-55 a.m. (As known in Liverpool at closing time.)—

May	20.27
July	19.62
October	19.54

New York 11-45 a.m.—

May	20.23
July	19.56
October	19.53

LONDON GOLD.

London, April 18.

Bar gold, fine, per oz £4:4:10-1/4

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LIVERPOOL.

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EASY ON FAVOURABLE WEATHER—ABSENCE OF BUYING —UNCERTAINTY OF GENERAL ELECTION—MILLS QUIET —FUTURES 5 TO 7 POINTS LOWER—SPOT SALES 6,000 BALES.

Liverpool, April 18.

The Liverpool cotton futures market ruled easy again to-day being influenced by favourable weather report over the Cotton Belt in U. S. A. The market showed weakness from the beginning and against and expected decline of 3 points business commenced at a decline of 6 to 7 points. There was marked absence of buying and with scattered turnover prices after fluctuating within a narrow limit were left 6 to 7 points lower at 12-15 a.m. The uncertainty of the coming general election has unnerved trade interests and owing to the boycott movement of cloth in India, there is absence of business in Texas. During the afternoon there was some covering in the near months and the market closed at a decline of 5 to 7 months. January, 1931, option closed at a decline of 7 points to 10.09. Spot cotton sales amounted to 6,000 bales and Middling American closed at a decline of 5 points at 10.64d.

Empire cotton futures closed at a decline of 6 points May 10.10 and October 10.13. Egyptian cotton futures ruled easy and closed at a decline of 18 to 16 points.

PRIVATE CABLES.

Messrs. Devkaran Nanjee have received the following cable from their Liverpool friends:—

"Market dull and declining. No speculative demand. Weather reports are excellent. Our opinion is that a considerable decline is improbable."

Messrs. Patel Bros. have received the following cable from Liverpool dated 18th instant:—

Greenville: Seems excellent chance of early settlements of strikes. Enough business booked to assure good business for a number of weeks ahead.

Reiss Brothers, Liverpool:—

"Sentiment continues bearish, commodity markets particularly cotton owing favourable weather."

Hornby Hemelryk & Co., Liverpool:

"Light rains have fallen in Arkansas, Memphis districts, cool night."

New York cables:—

"Trade showing willingness fix heavily this level."

Messrs. Breul and Co. have received the following cable from their Liverpool friends Messrs. Reynolds and Gibson dated 18th instant:—

Favour selling on all strong markets especially new crops as we consider recent weather distinctly favourable. Manchester reports still pessimistic."

Messrs. Thomas Smith and Co. have received the following cables from their Liverpool friends:—

8-55 a.m.:—"No precipitation. Slightly warmer. Daily U. S. A. forecast says, Central Belt generally fair. All balance entire Belt partly cloudy".

11-20 a.m.:—"Between midnight and daylight light rains in Memphis districts, Arkansas. Cool nights."

Messrs. Newall and Clayton have received the following cable from their Liverpool Head Office dated the 18th instant:—

"Weather very favourable and sentiment inclined turn bearish."

LIVERPOOL COTTON.

Liverpool, April 18.

April	.....	10.35—.05
May	10.41	10.42—.05
June		10.37—.05
July	10.41	10.41—.05
August		10.37—.06
September		10.34—.06
October	10.31	10.32—.06
November		10.29—.07
December		10.29—.07
January	10.29	10.29—.07
February		10.30—.07
March	10.32	10.32—.07
April		10.33—.07
Middling Spot		10.64—.05

LIVERPOOL COTTON SALES.

Liverpool, April 18.

	Bales.
Sales at Liverpool	6,000
Sales on Speculation	100
Sales of East Indian Cotton	500

INDIAN COTTON.

Liverpool, April 18.

Scinde, Fully Good	6.90—.05
Scinde, Fine	7.15—.05
Scinde, Superfine	7.40—.05
Bengal, Good	6.65—.05
Bengal, Fully Good	6.90—.05
Bengal, Fine	7.15—.05
Oomra, Good	7.25—.05
Oomra, Fully Good	7.55—.05
Oomra, Fine	7.85—.05
Broach, Fully Good	8.65—.05
Broach, Fine	8.90—.05
Broach, Superfine	9.15—.05

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OPENING DECLINE ON AMERICAN WEAKNESS—FURTHER DECLINE ON COMMISSION HOUSES SELLING—RALLY ON HIGHER LIVERPOOL OPENING

Bombay, April 19.

In response to the overnight decline on American Cotton Exchange, the local market opened weak and declined on selling by Commission Houses. Prices opened at Rs. 361 for Broach July-August, 1929, delivery and declined to Rs. 359-6 on continued favourable weather for the new American cotton crop. There is absence of any speculative enterprise as operators see little a chance in cotton. Owing to unduly low prices, sellers have no nerves to go short while large stocks of cotton discourage constructive long interest. Later on prices recovered partially on higher Liverpool opening quotations. Rates at 4-30 p.m. were as under:—

Broach A.-M. 348.
Broach J.-A. 360-8.
Oomra May 311.
Oomra July 320-8.
Bengal May 251-8.
Bengal July 261-8.

To-day's closing quotations were as under:—

Bombay, April 19.

Brooch A./M.	348/8
Broach J./A.	361/8
Oomra May	311/8
Oomra July	321
Bengal May	251/8
Bengal July	261/8

SAMPIN QUOTATIONS.

Bombay, April 19.

April	283.10+0.10
July	230.10
October	229.60—0.10

COTTON TENDERS.

Bombay, April 19.

	To-day	Total
F.G.M.G. Broach	1,600	18,300

DAILY ROOM RATE

Bombay, April 19.

Bengal 251 May.
Bengal 261 July.
Broach 349 A/M.
Broach 361 J/A.
Oomra 312 May.
Oomra 321 J/A.

SPOT RATES.

Bombay, April 19.

Bengal	266	261	253	246
Sind	268	263	255	248
Punjab	264	259	251	244
Rajputana	266	261	253	246
Broach	362	357	350	345
P. A.	362	357	350	345
Cutch	372	367	360	355
Surat	437	432	425	420
Rajpipla	432	427	420	415
Oomra No. 3	325	319	313	303
C. P. No.	345	339	333	323
C. P. No. 2	335	329	323	313
Khandesh		288	278	
Muthia		268	258	248

READY COTTON SALES.

Bombay, April 19.

100 H. Nenshi & Co. Shegaon 299
300 G. G. Kesha & Co. Jalgaon 273/276
100 Do. Dhamangaon 285
100 Gill & Co. Comptah 367
100 Ital India & Co. Dhamangaon 274
100 Bombay & Co. Shegaon 240 inferior.
100 Do. Ellichpur 310
100 P. R. Vakaria Wun 312
100 Khatau Mill Shegaon 240 inferior.
100 Tata Mill Purna 290
200 Volkart Bros. Itola 357
100 Do. Burhanpur 268
100 Do. Pachora 267
100 Do. Nundgaon 266
100 E. Spinner & Co. Veraval 278
200 Ralli Bros Sirhind 259/260
200 Do. Ujjain 313
100 Gokaldas Dossa Hansi 260

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS.

Bombay, April 19.

	Ready Red leagy	Ready Average
Bengal Superfine	270	
Bengal Fine	265	
Bengal F.G.	255	225/35
Sindh-Punjab Fine	265	
Sindh-Punjab F.G.	255	225/35
Wardha-Hingt. Fine	320	310
Nagpur Savner Fine	325	315
Yeotmal Fine	315	295
Arvi Fine	315	290
Amraoti Fine	305	290
Khamgaon-Akola Fine	305	275
Mulkapur Fine	295	265
Khandesh Fine	280	260
Muthia Fine	270	255
Muthia F.G.	265	225/40
Nanded/Purna F.G.G.S.	335	290
Purna F.G.G.S.	315	290
Parbhani/Sailu F.G.G.S.	310	290
Indore/Ujjain Fine	305	293/320
Burwah Sanavad Fine	310	285
Surat Fine		
Broach Fine		Old
Broach F.G.		
Westerns M.G.		310
Cambodia	395	
Miraj/Sangli		345
Compta Good		345
Jinja	505	
Busoga	515	

Money Market

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Bombay, April 19.

B.C. RATE—
T T 1|5 29|32.
D D 1|5 15|16.

LONDON—
Banks Selling T T 1|5 29|32 Ready
Banks Selling D D 1|5 15|16 „
Banks Selling T T 1|5 29|32 April
Banks Selling T T 1|5 29|32 May
Banks Buying T T 1|5 31|32 April
Banks Buying D D 1|6.
Banks Buying 3 Mos. 1|6 9|32 April
Banks Buying 3 Mos. 1|6 9|32 May

NEW YORK—
B.C. T T 276.
Banks Selling T T 275 3|4.
Banks Buying T T 274 3|4.

PARIS—
Banks Selling D D 928
Banks Buying D D 938.
Banks Buying 3 Mos. 950.

JAPAN—
Banks Selling T T 122 1|2.
Banks Buying 60 Days 119 1|2.

HONGKONG—
Banks Selling D D 155 3|4.

SHANGHAI—
Banks Selling D D 171.

SINGAPORE—
Banks Selling D D 155 1/4.

JAVA—
Banks Selling D D 90 7/8.

CROSS RATE—
New York—London 4.85 3|8 18th inst.
Shanghai—London 2|6 3|8 19th inst.
Japan—London 1|9 7|8 18th inst.
London—Paris 124.25 18th inst.
London—Belgium 34.95 18th inst.
London—Switzerland 25.21-1|2 13th inst.
London—Italy 92.70 18th inst.
Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Dull
Gold £4-4-11-1|2 17th inst.; £4-4-10-1|4 18th inst.
Silver London Ready 25 7|8 17th inst.; 25 15|16 18th inst.
Silver London Forward 25 7|8 17th inst.; 25 13|16 18th inst.
Silver New York Ready 56 1|8 17th inst.; 56 18th inst.
London Discounts 3 Mos. 5 3|16 per cent 17th inst.; 5 5|32 per cent 18th inst.
London Discounts 6 Mos. 5 1|4 per cent 17th inst.; 5 9|32 per cent 18th inst.
Imperial Bank Rate 7 per cent.
Bank of England Rate 5-1|2 per cent.

Money:—
Inter Bank Call 3-3|4 per cent.
3 mos. 4 per cent.
6 mos. 4 per cent.
12 mos. 4-1|2 per cent.
Tone:—Quiet.

Tone of Silver.—Very quiet. Small business.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

Bombay, April 19.

3-1/2 per cent Rupee Paper due Rs 71|7.
4 per cent Conversion Loan due 1931-36 Rs. 92.
4 per cent Loan due 1931-37 Rs. 91/14.
4 per cent Loan due 1960-70 Rs. 84-1.
4-1/2 per cent Bonds due 1934 Rs 96/8.
4-1/2 per cent Loan due 1955-60 Rs. 94/6.
5 per cent War Loan due 1929-47 Rs. 99/3.
5 per cent Loan due 1935 Rs. 100.
5 per cent Loan (Tax Free) due 1933 Rs. 100|10.
5 per cent Loan (Tax Free) due 1945-55 Rs. 102-11.
6 per cent War Bonds (Tax Free) due 1930 Rs. 101|8.
6 per cent Bonds (Tax Free) due 1931 Rs. 102|8.
6 per cent Bonds (Tax Free) due 1932 Rs. 103|8.
6-1|2 per cent B'bay Devp. Loan (Tax Free) due 1935 Rs. 107|10.
4 per cent Port Trust Due 1974 Rs. 81.
4 per cent Municipal Due 1974 Rs. 81.
4 per cent Improvement Trust due 1974 Rs. 81.
6 per cent Bombay Municipal due 1954 Rs. 108.
6 per cent Municipal due 1929-40 Rs. 100.

FORWARD RATES—2nd May sett. 3-1|2 per cent Rupee Paper Rs. 70-15-0; 5 per cent 1945-55 Rs. 102-10-0.

Tone of Market:—Quiet and dull.

LONDON DISCOUNTS.

Bombay, April 19.

3 months Discounts 5 5|32 per cent.
6 months Discounts 5 9|32 per cent.
Bank of England Rate 5 1|2 per cent.
Money Call 4 per cent Nom.
One Month 4 3|4 per cent.
Three months 4 1|2 per cent.
Six months 4 per cent.
Twelve months 4-1|4 per cent.
Tone of Money Market:—Easy.
Imperial Bank of India Rate 7 per cent.

COFFEE—NEW YORK MARKET.

New York, April 18.

Coffee, Fair Rio (No. 7, quality) Spot 17.5/8

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WEEKLY MARKET REVIEW

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

MONEY.

In the money market easy condition prevailed with a decline in the rate of call funds to as low as 3 1/2 p.c. Even at this rate money was unlendable on some days. The payment to Government of Rs. 1 1/2 crores to-day for Treasury bills is largely offset by Rs. 93 lacs received for maturing bills. It is, however well to remember that the present plethora of funds is a regular feature at this time of the year—the period between the financing of khariff (summer) and rabi (winter) crops, but there is a general belief that money rates will harden within the next few weeks. The trade demand has again increased this time by Rs. 173 lacs. The Imperial Bank statement of the 12th instant shows borrowing by the Bank from Government to the extent of Rs. 2 crores against Inland bills. The latest statement of remittances to the Home Treasury shows a transfer of £1 1/2 million from the Paper Currency Reserve involving a contraction of currency amounting to Rs 2. crores. The following are the fixed deposit rates: one month 5 per cent. two months 4 3/4 per cent three months 4 1/2 per cent. and six months 4 1/2 per cent.

The statement of the Imperial Bank of India as of 12th April 1929 shows a decrease of Rs. 126.34 lacs in the cash balance now amounting to Rs. 9,84,75,000 as compared with Rs. 8.77 crores this time last year. The percentage of cash to liabilities is 11.72. a decrease of 1.55 per cent. below last week. Loans have increased by Rs. 254.81 lacs, while cash credits and Inland bills discounted are down by Rs. 55.36 lacs and Rs. 51.08 lacs respectively. Government deposits are up by Rs. 43.95 lacs to Rs. 6.77 crores, while other deposits are down by Rs. 17.73 lacs to Rs. 74.26 crores. The bank rate remains at 7 per cent.

GILT-EDGED MARKET.

Dull conditions obtained in the gilt-edged market with a restricted volume of business. 3 1/2 per cent. Paper after declining to Rs. 71-5 improved slightly to Rs. 71-7 on bear covering for near delivery, while forward was quiet at Rs. 71-5. 5 per cent Loan 1945-55 is down to Rs. 103, while 1935 and 1933 Loans were unchanged at Rs. 100 and Rs. 100-10. 6 per cent. Bonds 1930 and 1931 were unaltered at Rs. 101-8 and Rs. 102-8 and 1932 at Rs. 103-8, 6 1/2 per cent Bom. Dev. Loan steadied to Rs. 107-10. 4 per cent. 1960-70 loan eased to Rs. 84-2 and 1934-37 kept steady at Rs. 91-14. 4 1/2 per cent. 1955-60 loan is quoted at Rs. 94-6 and 1934 bonds at Rs. 96-8.

EXCHANGE.

After opening at 1s. 5-15/16d for sellers, sterling exchange eased to 1s. 5-29/32d with some buyers down as far as 1s. 5-15/16d. Scarcity of export bills and cheap money were responsible for the decline. Government rejected all tenders for sterling at the last bidding. The enquiry for all remittances, however, is not considerable. The following are the forward rates:—April/May 1s. 5-29/32d; June/July/August 1s. 5-7/8d and September 1s. 5-29/32d.

The dollar sterling quotation eased from dollar 4.85 1/2 to dollar 4.85-3/8. French francs and the Belga kept steady at 124.26 and 34.95 and the Italian lira is quoted at 92.70.

GOLD.

Small demand of about 12,000 tolas per day and plentiful supplies caused a further drop of 9 pies in the price of ready gold to Rs. 21-6-9 per tola. There was very little activity in the market. Stocks on hand now approximate 3 1/2 lacs tolas. In the soverign market ready fell to Rs. 13-7-3 and delivery 21st May to Rs. 13-7-6. In London the quotation for gold declined from 84s. 11 1/2d to 84s. 10 1/2d. In our market the highest and lowest rates were Rs. 21-7-0 and Rs. 21-6-9 for ready and 24th April settlement and Rs. 21-8-0 and Rs. 21-7-9 for 24th May settlement. The incoming mail is expected to bring £100,000 gold. Inclusive of these arrivals and exclusive of the present week's shipment the total visible supply from London to India is about £160,000. The total imports during the week amounted to Rs. 40-59,198 in bar and coin. This week's shipment from London is expected to be £7,000.

SILVER.

Conditions in the silver market were fairly steady although there was some decline during the middle of the week. Ready opened at Rs. 58-14 and after fluctuating between Rs. 59 and Rs. 58-9 closed at Rs. 58-12 per 100 tolas. America as well as China banks showed little interest and the volume of bazar business was limited. The average daily offtake is now only 110 bars and stocks on hand are little altered at 32000 bars. Shipment en route however, are heavy and are estimated at about 3500 bars. In Shanghai the rate for T. T. on London moved down from 2s. 6-7/16 to 2/6-5/16 but closed at 2/6-3/8. In London both ready and forward quotation declined to 25 3/4d. but closed at 25-13/16d. In our market the highest and lowest rates were Rs. 59-0 and Rs. 58-9 for ready, Rs. 58-15 and Rs. 58-9 for 29th April settlement and Rs. 59-1 and Rs. 58-12 for 28th May settlement. The incoming mail is expected to bring £40,000 silver. Inclusive of these arrivals and exclusive of the present week's shipment the total visible supply from London to India is about £390,000. The total imports during the week amounted to 283 bars and Rs. 321,472 in coin. There is no shipment of silver this week from London.

SHARES.

Weakness developed on the Stock Exchange and in the absense of buyers prices receded. Rates in the cotton mill shares were the lowest yet recorded this year. The following are the fluctuations in some of the leaders:—Bombay Dyeing Rs. 812/8xd-816/4xd-807/8-800; Century Rs. 357/8xd-360xd-353/12-346/4; Central India Rs. 482/8-483/12-481/4-477/8; Crescent Rs. 126/4-125-122/8; Fazulbhoy Rs. 737/8-742/8-735-728/8; Indian Bleaching Rs. 241/4-242/8-240-236; Indore Malwa Rs. 388/12-387/8-385; Kohinoor Rs. 188/12-190-183/12-180; New Great Rs. 216/4-208/12-203; Pearls Rs. 448/12-453/12-446/4-441; Simplex Rs. 63/12-56/4 and Swadeshi Rs. 432/8-433/12-430-427/8.

In the miscellaneous section too easy conditions prevailed. Reports that no dividend would be paid even on the first preference, affected Tata steels adversely and the price of Ordinaries declined to Rs. 56/2 and deferreds to Rs. 197/8, Tata Hydros steadied from Rs. 1,126/4 to 1,135, while Andhra Valleys were almost unchanged at Rs. 567/8. Alcock shares lost about 24 points, the closing quotation being 261. Bombay Burma shares maintained a steady level at Rs. 785. Bombay Trams were quiet at Rs. 143/12 and Bombay steams at Rs. 217 Scindia steam shares were down to Rs. 9/8. Cement shares also were weak. Bundi Cements dropping from Rs. 19/14 to Rs. 18/12 and Indian Cements from Rs. 320 to Rs. 295. Katni Ordys. declined from Rs. 217/8 to Rs. 203, while Deferred shares remained steady at Rs. 790. Railway shares show hardly any movements in prices.

Bank shares show little change, Imperial banks being quoted at Rs. 1,407/8 and Contributories at Rs. 348/12. Bank of India shares eased slightly to Rs. 102/8 and those of the Central Bank are quoted at Rs. 21/2.

LONDON SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Bombay, April 19.

Messrs Forbes & Lund have received the following quotations by special telegram from Colombo, today:—

Name of Company	Latest Prices Rs.
Bukit Darah Rubber	20
Carimai Rub. & Tea	14
Ceylon Planters	38
Ceylon Rubber	45
Clunes Eastates	24
Cochin Rubber	34
Eila Tea	185
Estates Co. of Uva	35
Fairlawn Estate	38
Frocester Estates	62
Hatbawe Rubber	13
Honiton Rubber	8-8
Horawala Rubber	45
Indo-Malay Estates	20
Jambulande T. & Rub.	12
Jebong Rubber	18-8
Kalutara Company	36
Kalutara Rubber	19
Kelani Valley Rub.	30
Langat River	25
Lanka Rubber	65
Lansdowne Rubber	195
Maha Uva Estates	54
Meall Mor Estates	25
Mirishena Rubber	40
Narangoda Rubber	26
Neuchatel Estates	49
North-Western Rub.	22
Pelmadulla T. & Rub.	22
Rubber Growers'	30
Saffragam T. & Rub.	220
Talgaswela Tea	52
Torrington Tea	22
Udabage Tea	62
Udapolla Rubber	20
Ullswater Rubber	14
Vogan Tea	47-8
Warriapola Estate	28

Remarks:—Rubber:—Spot Colombo-Re. 0.53-1/2 Contst.

STERLING SHARE QUOTATIONS

Bombay, April 19.

Messrs Forbes & Lund have received the following quotations by special Cablegram from London today:—

Name of Company	Latest Prices
Andhra Valley (7-1/2 p.m. Notes) 1933	£102 0 0
Assam Bengal Railway Stock	Ordy. £98 10 0
Attock Oil Co. Ltd.	£3 0 0
Australian 5 p.c. Loan (1935/45)	£99 0 0
Burma Corporation Ltd.	£0 17 0
Calcutta Tramways (Ordy.)	£0 19 6
Canadian Eegle Oil Co.	£0 11 3
Eastern Bank Ltd.	£6 15 0
French 5 p.c. Rentes	£20 0 0
Hongkong & Shanghai Corpn.	Bankg. £132 10 0
Imperial Airways Ltd. Ord.	£1 10 0
India 3-1/2 p.c. Ster'ing Stock	£69 0 0
India 4-1/2 Sterling Loan (1950/55)	£89 10 0
India 3 p.c. Sterling Stock	£59 0 0
Indian Copper Corporation (Ord.)	£0 3 0
Mexican Eagle Oil Co.	£0 13 6
Motor Fuel Proprietory Ltd.	£0 6 0
Nitrate Railway (Ordy.)	£8 3 6
P. & O. Banking Corporation Ltd.	£9 6 0
Russo-Asiatic Consolidated Ltd.	£0 3 9
Shahdara Saharampur L. Rly. 4-1/2 p.c. Debs	£80 0 0
Southern Punjab Railway (Ord. Stock)	£196 10 0
Southern Punjab Railway (4 p.c. Pref. Stock	£97 10 0
Tata Power (7-1/2 p.c 'B' Debs. 1934/48)	£104 0 0
War Loan 5 p.c. (1929/47)	£103 0 0

Remarks:—India 4-1/2 p.c. ex-div. £2-1/4

JAVA, HONGKONG AND SINGAPORE MARKET RATES

Bombay, April 19.

Messrs. R. Jumabhoy, Khoja Mohalla, Bombay have received the following quotations from their Foreign Branches:—

From Singapore:—

Coffee Laibrarian Big doll. 47 1/2/49 1/2 per Picul

Coffee Laibrarian Small doll. 41/43 per Picul

Coffee Sourabaya Usual quality doll. 42 1/2/43 1/2 per Picul

Coffee Sourabaya Best quality doll. 45 per Picul

Coffe Palembang doll. 34 1/4 per Picul

Pineapples Slice, C. I. F. Bombay Rs. 9-12 per case

Sago Flour Cif. Bombay Rs. 7-2 per Cwt.

D/P. Bills 7 ds/s for doll. 100 Rs. 154-12-0

Market Tendency:—Coffee Weak, Sago Flour Steady, Exchange Steady.

Steamer for Bombay:—Is ready.

From Sourabaya:—

Coffee Robesta Ready f. 59 1/2 per Picul

Coffe Robesta May/June 58 1/2 per Picul

Coffee Robesta July/August 55 per Picul

Coffe Robesta Cif. Bombay Ready Rs. 57 1/2 per cwt.

Coffee Robesta Cif. P/Gulf Ready Rs. 59 per cwt.

Hard Molasses Cif. Bombay Ready Rs. 49 per Ton.

Tapioca Seeds Cif. Bombay Ready Rs. 211 per Ton.

Coffee market tone appears to be weak. New crop Coffee will be available in June.

Tea market is steady and there is no change in pricee.

Steamer for Bombay will sail early in May.

From Hongkong:—

Cassia doll. 9 1/2 per Picul.

Cassia Cif. Bombay Rs. 13 1/4 per cwt.

Grean Beans Big Cif. Bombay Rs. 9/14 per cwt.

Sugar Candy Superior quality Cif. Bombay. Rs. 14 1/4 per cwt.

Galangal cif. Bombay Rs. 13 1/2 per cwt.

Fire Crackers Lavingia cif. Bombay 500 Packets Rs. 13 1/2 per case

Fire Crackers Lavingia cif. Bombay 1000 Packets Rs. 15 1/2 per case

Fire Crackers Lavingia cif. Bombay 320 Packets Rs. 28 per case

D/P Bills 7 ds/s for doll. 100. Rs. 135 1/2.

Steamer for Bombay will sail on or about 24/4/1929.

NEW YORK DEMAND BILLS.

New York, April 18.

Demand Bills 484.87

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS.

New York, April 18.

Bales.

Day's receipts at all U. S. Ports 10,000

Day's exports to the Continent 10,000

EGYPTIAN COTTON.

Liverpool, April 18.

May ..... 17.33—.18

July ..... 17.65—.17

October ..... 17.83—.16

November ..... 17.90—.16

January ..... 18.20—.22

March ..... 18.44—.18

Sakellaridis, F.G.F. Spot ..... 18.10—.20

LONDON SILVER.

London, April 18.

Silver.—Market is very quiet.

Spot 25-13/16

Forward 25-13/16

LONDON BISCOUNT RATES.

London, April 18.

Interest, day to day loans 4 p.c.

,, 7 days' market loans 4-1/2 p.c.

Bank bills, 3 months 5-5/32 p.c.

Bank bills, 6 months 5-9/32 p.c.

Fine trade bills, 3 months 5-3/4 p.c.

Fine trade bills, 6 months 6-11/4 p.c.

LONDON EXCHANGES.

London, April 18.

T. T. Berlin on London 20.47-1/4

T. T. Amsterdam on London 12.08-1/4

T. T. Brussels on London 34.96

T. T. Madrid on London 32.80

T. T. Milan on London 92.68

T. T. Berne on London 25.22

T. T. Paris on London 124.26

T. T. London on Prague 163.93

LONDON PRODUCE.

London, April 18.

Cottonseed, Bombay, ton.—Shipment sellers Apl/May £8: 2:6.

Castorseed, Bombay, ton.—Shipment sellers Apl/May £18: 5:0.

Rapeseed. Toria, ton.—Shipment Hull buyer Apl/May £18.

LINSEED.

London, April 18.

Linseed, Calcutta, ton.—Shipment sellers Apl/May £18: 1:3.

Linseed, La Plata, c.i.f. ton.—Shipment Hull sellers Apl/May £15:17:6.

Linseed, Bombay, ton.—Shipment sellers Apl/May £18: 12:6.

LINSEED OIL.

London, April 18.

Linseed Oil, naked, London, cwt.—Delivery, Paid, May/Aug. 28/6-3/4.

Linseed Oil, naked, London, cwt.—Delivery, Paid, Sep./Dec. 29/2-1/4.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

London, April 18.

£.

Chartered Bank of India, A. & C. 19-3/8

Hongkong & Shanghai Bank (London Register) 132-1/2

P. & O. Banking Corporation 9-1/2

National Bank 50

Eastern Bank 63/4

Funding Loan 4 p.c. 88-1/8

Conversion Loan 77-1/4

Indian Loan, 5-1/2 p.c. 101-1/4

Rupee Paper, 3-1/2 p.c. 52-1/2

Indian Stock, 3 p.c. Sterling Loan 59

Indian Stock, 3-1/2 p.c. Loan 69

Consols 55-1/8

War Loan 5 p.c. 102-7/8

Victory Bonds, 4 p.c. 93

AMERICAN COTTON FIGURES.

F. P. Bales.	1923/29
Receipts to date 18/4/29	8905000
,, Yesterday do.	10000
Exports to date do.	7078000
Stock at Ports 12/4/29	1549000
,, Interior Towns do.	879000
,, Liverpool 12/4/29	1077000
Visible Supply 12/4/29	4177000
Quantity in Sight do.	11456000

BULLION.

The Bombay Bullion Brokers' Asso. Ltd.

Bombay, April 19.

SILVER.

London Ready 25/13

London Forward 25/13

America Cent 56/2

China Op. 2/5/9, Clo. 2/5/9

Ready 58/11

Chaitra Op. 58/10, Clo. 58/10

Vaishak Op. 58/13, Clo. 58/13

Jeth 58/14

Teji Mandi -/3/-, -/9/-, -/13/-.

GOLD.

Ready 21/7

Chaitra 21/7/3

Vaisakh 21/7/9

BROACH A.M. 1930.

Bombay, April 19.

It is understood that private business in Broach A/M. 1930 delivery is being done at about Rs. 7/ above Broach J/A. 1929 delivery. So far no official trading is allowed in this new hedge contract.

INDIAN YARNS.

Bombay, April 19.

6 1/2 s	0 8 6
10 1/2 s	0 9 6
12 1/2 s	0 10 0
20 1/2 s	0 11 6
Long Cloth	0 15 6

PRODUCE RECEIPTS.

Bombay, April 19.

	cwts.
Wheat	2,337
Linseed	19,786
Rape, Rai & Mustardseeds	4,003
Gingellyseeds	879
Poppyseeds	436
Groundnuts	16,755
Castorseeds	21,090
Rice	9,956
Myrabollams	4,913
Cottonseeds	22,215
Gram	4,136
Joowar	11,590
Maize	70
Barley	219
Bajree	1,832
	tons.
Coal	756

LINSEED AND WHEAT.

Bombay, April 19.

Linseed May	10	15	0
Linseed Sept.	11	4	9
Wheat May	7	15	0
Wheat Sept.	7	13	3

Tone—Quiet

THE SEEDS TRADERS ASSOCIATION.

Bombay, April 19.

Castorseeds May Delivery Opening Rs. 53/4 Highest Rs. 53/5 Lowest Rs. 52/10 Closing Rs. 52/12.

Castorseeds Sept. Delivery Opening Rs. 55/7 Lowest Rs. 54/14 Closing Rs. 55/-

Cottonseeds May Delivery Opening Rs. 4/9/9 Highest 4/10 Closing Rs. 4/9/9.

Groundnuts Seeds May Delivery Opening Rs. 53/11 Lowest Rs. 53/4 Closing Rs. 53/4/6.

WHEAT—LONDON MARKET.

London, April 18.

Rozario Santa Fe per 63-1/2 lb. Cargoes.—Shipment sellers April 43/6.

Barletta Russo, per 63-1/2 lb., Cargoes.—Shipment sellers April 45/6.

Wheat, South Australian, Parcels.—Shipment sellers April 45/6.

Wheat, Choice White Karachi, Parcels.—No offerings.

JAVA SUGAR—LONDON MARKET.

London, April 18.

Java Sugar, Fine White Dutch Standard No. 25, C. & F. Cacutta.—

July/Sept. per cwt	12/1-1/2
Oct./Dec. per cwt.	12/3
C. & F. Bombay,—	
July/Sept. per cwt.	12/2-3/4
C. & F. Karachi,—	
July/Sept. per cwt.	12/3-1/4

LONDON RUBBER.

London, April 18.

Smoked Sheet, Standard, Ribbed. lb., Spot.—Sellers d.10-1/8.

London, April 18.

£.

Total Bullion	156,300,000
Pubic Deposits	17,900,000
Other Deposits	96,800,000
Government Securities	48,300,000
Other Securities	26,600,000
Notes and Coins	57,300,000
Notes in Circulation	358,900,000
Ratio of Reserve to Liabilities	49.99 p.c.

LONDON METALS.

London, April 18.

£.

Copper, Braziers	100
Yellow Metal	79
Spelter, Hard Indian Brands	23-7/8
Corrugated Sheets, 24 gauge	13-1/2
Tin, English Ingots	304-1/2

STOCKS AND SHARES

Impressive Selling by Operators

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FALL IN TATA STEEL SHARES

Bombay, April 19.

The Bombay Stock Exchange witnessed to-day heavy alround selling particularly by longs. Tata Steel shares suffered heavily. There being no outside buying and the genefal sentiment becoming bearish in the absence of any buying except occasional covering, prices of Mill shares declined. The undertone of the market is weak and there exists nervous feeling. The mraket is entirely at the mercy of bear operators and bulls find themselves in an uncomfortable situation. The money market is showing easier conditions but the issuance of treasury bills is telling on adversaly the minds of the operators. Outsiders see little or no prospect of any profitable venture. Prices are reaching new low levels every day and in te absence of any enquiry the general sentiment continues and unless conditions undergo material change there exists no reason for any sustained improvement. However we see no wisdom in going short at present level and prefer to take advantage declines in covering short interest.

Khatau Mill shares opened at Rs. 72/8 and improved to Rs. 73/12. Barsi Mill shares were done at Rs. 125/ Maneckji Petit Mill shares opened at Rs. 975/ and hardened to Rs. 980/ Volkart Press shares were sold at Rs. 472/8. Tapti Rails were placed at Rs. 655/ some India Bank shares were done at Rs. 102/8. Union Bank shares changed hands at Rs. 3/10/6 while Centrals opened at Rs. 21/4 and declined to Rs. 21/2. Tata Power Pref. were sold at Rs. 96/8 while Tram Pref. were paid Rs. 65/4. Gwalior Cements opened at Rs. 99/ and declined to Rs. 98/ Oriental Life Ince. shares were dealt in at Rs. 1995/. New India opened at Rs. 20/8 and gained As. 4/ Scindia shares were depressed to Rs. 9/8 after opening at Rs. 10/8. Tata Steel Second Pref. opened at Rs. 74, but towards the close were offered at Rs. 71/12. Tata Constructions were placed at Rs. 51/8.

ACTIVE SHARES AT GLANCE.

Bombay, April 19.

Bombay Dyeing 805,2,800,2,798,800
Century 351,50,52,48,45,46
Colaba 120,18
Crescent 120,22
Fazul 735,33,30
Indore 386,85-10
Madhowji 36
Nagpur 480, 78,77
New Great 208,3
Pearl 446,41,44,42,40,41
Simplex 55,56
Swadeshi 428,30,27
Burma 786,82,83,85
Hydro 1136,35
Tram 144,43
Deff. 205,3,2,1 200,3,5,1,198,197
Ord. 58-6,4,56-14,8,6,56,56-8,56.2
Bundi 19-18.12
Indian 301,298.98,301,298,95
Katni Ord. 205 3
Alcock 268,58,55,65,67,61

SPINNING & WEAVING MILLS.

Bombay, April 19.

Ahmedabad Advance (100) 332/8
Apollo 60 nil 4/8
Assur Veerji (5) nil 1
Barsi (250) 20y 145
Berar Manufacturing (500) 15y 166/4
Bharat (500) 10y 70
Bombay Cotton (200) 201 152/8
Bombay Dyeing (120) 201 xd. 800
Bombay Industrial (20) 4
Bradbury (250) Nil 145
Broach Fine Counts 250 nil 35
Century 100 20y xd. 346/4
Central India 100f 477/8
Ceylon 100 nil 22/8
Colaba Land Mill 100 118/12
Crescent 100 9f 122/8
Currimbhoy 250 nil 143/12
David 250 nil 222/8
Dawn 250 10y 495 xd.
E. D. Sassoon United Ord. 0/9/6
Ebrahim Pabaney 200 7/8 185
Edward Sassoon 200 200 nil 93/12
Elphinstone 100 nil 7
Fazulbhoy 250 728/12
Finlay 100 10y 87/8
Framjee Petit 1,000 nil 200
Gokak 100 2/8 122/8
Gold Mohur 100 nil 100
Hindustan 1,000 100y 1700
Indian Bleaching, etc. 100 10f 236/4
Indian Manufacturing 1,000 75 1225
Indore Malwa 100 13/12f 385
Jamshed 250 nil 20
Jam Ranji Singhji 1,000 100y 1800
Kastoorchand '0 nil 12
Khandesh 1,000 50f 2300
Khatau Makanji 100 nil 72/8
Kohinoor 10/13/1/0 180
Laxmi Cotton 250 15 1580
Madho Rao Scindia 100 nil 7
Madhowji Dharamsi 100 nil 36/4
Madras United 250 7/8i 445
Manockjee Petit 1,000 20y 975
Mathradas 50 nil 20
Meyer Sassoon 100 nil 73/12
Minerva 80 nil 78
Morarji Gokuldas 1000 nil 1100
Model Mills Nagpur 250 nil 36/4
Mysore 50 plus 21 xd. 165
New City of Bombay 100 nil 80
New Great Eastern 200 10y 203/12
Osmanshahi 75 2/4y 50
Pearl 210 19f 441/4
Phoenix 100 30y xd. 341/4
Premier 10 nil 5/8
Sassoon Cotton 100 nil 8/8
Sassoon and Alliance Silk 50 5/8 63/12
Sholyapur 1000 10f 5550
Simplex 250 nil 56/4
Sir Shapurji Broacha 100 nil 7
Swadeshi 100 10f 427/8
Swan Mills 25 nil 87/8
Tata Mills 25 nil 41
Vishnu Cotton 500 4/1 2250
Western India Spinning 1,000 6940

BANKS.

Bank of India 50/2 8f 102/8
Baroda 500 0/8 78
Central 250 21/2
Eastern £5 xd. 87/8
Imperial 500 40f xd. 1407/8
Imperial Contributory 125 10f 348/12
Union 5/11 3/10
P & O. Bank £10 10f 120

CEMENT AND MANGANESE COMPANIES.

Bundi Portland 10/0/0.54f 18/12
Central India Mining 7
Kwalior Cement 70 10y 98
Indian Cement 220 nil 295
New India Assurance 5 1y 20/10
Katni Cement Ord. 100 10 208/12
Punjab Cement 100 nil 11/8
Shahabad Cement 100 7y. 155
Shivrajpur 20 2/11 xd. 18/12
United Cement 100 6y 84

RAILWAYS.

Ahmedabad Prantej 400 31/11/6f 775
Amritsar Patti 100 3/10/0f 120/8
Central Provinces 96
Dhond Baramati 100 2/11/6 98
Gujarat 100 2/4/3f 81
Hoshiarpur Doab 100 4/12/6y 90
Larkhana 100 1f 86
Mandra Bhon 90 1/15/2f 70/8
Mymensingh 100 2/11/6f 98
Pachora Jamner 100 2/4 8f 85/4
Sialkot Narrowal 100 2/4/3 90
Sara Sirajgunj 100 2/6/9f 95
Sind Light 100 5/7 135
Tapty Valley P.d. 602/8
Upper Sind 100 nil 85

ELECTRIC UNDERTAKINGS.

Ahmedabad Electric 100 6, 8y 127/ xd
Surat Electric O. 100 5/7y 130
Andhra Valley Ordy. 10,000 56/8
Bombay Tramway Ord. 59/2
Tata Hyro Electric 1000 10f x.d 1135
Tata Power 70,000 nil 77/8
Karachi Electricity 100 2/4i 143/12
Poona Electricity 100 7y 137/8

PRESS COMPANIES.

Fort 475 10y 130
Harvey and Sabapathy 500 80+20 1185
Indian Cotton 125 17/8y 212/8
Manmad Manufacturing 250 20 265
New Berar 500 70y 797/8
New Mofussil 400 30y 500
New Prince of Wales 500 20y 419
Volkart U. P. 500 30y 480

INSURANCE COMPANIES.

B. I. G. Insurance 10 nil 4/12
Bombay Life Assurance 20 1/4y 45
Empire of India Life 100 30/52 1975
Jupitar General Insurance Ord. 11/4 10
New India Assurance 6-y 20/10
Oriental Government Securities Life 100 1004 1950
Vulcan 10 0/8/0y 7
Industrial & Prudential 6 9/5/0y 11

MISCELLANEOUS.

Attock Oil 1 nil 39
Attock Oil 1 nil 30
Belapur Co. 50 nil 16
Bombay Safe Deposit U. P. Paid 200 40y 510
Bombay Steam Co. Ordy. 260 12 by 217/8
Bombay Uganda 80 nil 24/4
B. Burma T. Corporation 125 785
Burma Corp. 10 As. 6-1 11/12
Jost Engineering 50, 54-13/8, 187/8
Kemp 200 15 197/8
Mackenzie Saw Mills 160-180
Port Canning, 1,000 45 632/8
Scindia Steam 9/8
Tata Construction 30 4y 61/12
Tata Iron (Def.) 197/8
Tata Iron Ord. 56/2

DEBENTURES.

Bombay Telephone 50 1y 114
Assur Veerji Mills B. 7 (F. T.) 94
Bombay Steam T 8 p.c. 105
Bombay Telephone 50 1y 114
Kastoorchand Mills T. 7 (F. T.) 86
Kohinoor Mills T. 7 103
Tata Hydro B. 8 110
Tata Steel B. 7 p.c. £104
Tata Power 7.1/2 p.c. 103
Andhra Valley 7 1/2 p.c. £105
Andhra Valley B. 8 104
Apollo Mills B. 7.8 F. T. 100 4/13
British Burma Petroleum 51/4/13/4

CITY & SUBURBS

TO-DAY.

Capitol: Carl Brisson & Lilian Hall Davis in "The Ring" 9 Parts also The Grand National. Daily at 6-30 and 10 p.m. Matinee at 4 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

The s.s. Rawalpindi with the English mail sails at 1 p.m.

Boxing Tournament, B. E. S. High School, Byculla, 9 p.m.

Meeting for Meerut Defence Fund, Mr. K. F. Nariman's House, Hughes Road.

MONDAY, April 22.

Intermediate Examination in Commerce and B. Com. Examination results, University Hall 2 p.m.

C. L. BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.

The prize distribution ceremony of the Chabildas Lulloobhoy Boys' High School and Primary School will be held near the Tilak Bridge Dadar to-day (Saturday), at 5-30 p.m. (S. T.). Mr. Meyer Nissim, will preside on the occasion.

YOGA DISCOURSES.

Swami Sambudhananda of Sri Ramakrishna Mission, Khar, will conduct a public class on Raja Yoga in English at Batliboy's Commercial Institute Hall, Yusuf Building, Church Gate Street, to-day (Saturday), at 3-30 p.m. (S. T.).

SOCIAL SERVICE LEAGUE, BOMBAY.

The annual general meeting of the Social Service League, Bombay, will be held to-day (Saturday), at 6 p.m. (S. T.), at the Servants of India Society's Home, Sandhurst Road, Girgaum.

BOMBAY PROVINCIAL CONGRESS COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the Council of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee will be held to-day (Saturday), at 5-30 p.m. (S. T.), at the Congress Office, 414, Girgam Back Road.

ARYA STREE SAMAJ.

Under the auspicious of the Arya Stree Samaj Prof. Baldeo Varma will conduct a music class from 3 to 5 (B. T.) to-day (Saturday), at the Arya Samaj Mandir Kakadwadi, Girgaum. All ladies are cordially invited.

SCHOOL OF INDIAN MUSIC.

Prof. Krishnarao Mule will delive his sixth lecture on the series arranged by the above school on the Modern Aspects of the Indian Music to-day (Saturday), at 6 p.m. at the Students Brotherhood Hall, French Bridge. The lecture will be followed by a demonstration on a Sitar.

BUDDHA SOCIETY.

The usual fortnightly Class of the Society will be conducted by Mr. K. A. Padhye, B.A., LL.B., on Sunday, the 21st instant, at 9-15 a.m. (S. T.), at Nair Building, Sandhurst Road. The subject for the Class will be "Lord Buddha's Clarion Call for Brotherhood."

THE YOUNG DAIWADNYA UNION.

Under the auspices of the above Union Mr. Yusuf J. Meherally will deliver a public lecture on "Youth and the Congress Programme" to-day (Saturday), at 6 p.m. in the Shri Mangal Harischandralaya Hall, Sandhurst Road.

BAND AT THE ESPLANADE BANDSTAND, FORT.

By kind permission of Lieut.-Colonel V. H. Neilson, O. B. E. V. D. and Officers, the Band of the Bombay Battalion A. F. (I.), will play a programme of music at the Esplanade Bandstand, Fort, to-day (Saturday), commencing at 6 p.m. (S. T.).

KANARA SARASWAT ASSOCIATION

Under the auspices of the Kanara Saraswat Association, Mr. V. S. Toro, B.A., Deputy Educational Inspector for the Visual Instructions, Bombay Presidency, will deliver a lecture in marathi on "Some of the Important Historical Places in Maharashtra" with the aid of magic lantern slides, to-day (Saturday), at 8-30 p.m. (S. T.), in the Association Hall, Gamdevi. Special seats will be reserved for ladies and children. All the members of the community are cordially invited to attend.

THE PATHARE PRABHU SOCIAL SAMAJ.

Under the Monthly lecture Series, Mr. Ramrao Balkrishna V. N. Kirtikar, will deliver a lecture on new year prayer, (with Music by Mr. Wasudeo Narayan Zaoba) to-day (Saturday), at 5-30 p.m. (S. T.), in the N. D. Prabhu Seminary Hall, Bhai Jivanji Lane, Thakurdwar, Bombay when members are requested to be present. Mr. Moreshwar Ganpat Rao, M.A., LL.B., will preside.

DAIRY MERCHANTS' MEETING.

The proposed meeting of the Dairy Merchants in Bombay and upcountry will be held at 4-30 p.m. (S. T. sharp), to-day (Saturday), at the office of Mr. N. B. Paruleker (Nyayya Hakka Sanrakshak Kacheri), Byculla Bridge, opp. Police Station, Bombay, to consider the present condition of the Dairy Trade and also whether it will be advisable for the Dairy Merchants to join, in a body, the existing Butter Merchants' Association or to form a separate New Association of Dairy Merchants alone and to decide further action. Those Dairy Merchants who may not have received invitations are also requested to attend.

FRIENDS' UNION.

An ordinary meeting of the above Union will be held in the Union's Hall (Samuel Street) to-morrow (Sunday), at 10-30 a.m. (S. T.), when Mr. H. I. H. Ladak will occupy the chair.

The following is the programme of the meeting:—Mr. E. C. Merchant will propose:—"Science has done more good than harm". Mr. A. A. Hirji will oppose the motion.

ALL BOMBAY BADMINTON TOURNAMENT.

The Finals of the above Tournament will be held at the Parel Sporting Club's Courts on Sunday, April 21, at 7 a.m.

"F" WARD CONGRESS COMMITTEE.

A general meeting of all Congress members of this Ward will be held on April 27, (Saturday), at 8 a.m. To elect President in place of Mr. S. H. Jhabwalla who has been arrested in connection with Meerut Case.

POSTAL NOTICES.

Mails for Ceylon, the Straits Settlements, China and Japan per s.s. "Delta" will be closed at the General Post Office at 12 noon, on Wednesday, the 24th instant.

Mails from Australia via Dhanushkodi for Bombay are due here on Sunday, the 21st instant.

INDEPENDENCE FOR INDIA LEAGUE.

The Council of the Independence for India League, (Bombay Branch) will meet on Sunday, the 21st instant, at 9 a.m., in Congress House, 414, Girgaon Back Road, when all the members of the Council are requested to be present.

CURRENCY DEPT. ABSTRACTS.

The following an abstracts of the accounts of the Currency Department on 15th instant.

(In thousands of rupees.)

Notes in circulation.	1,85,79,17
Reserve—coin and bullion:—	
In India:—	
Silver coin.	94,73,81
Gold bullion.	32,21,63
Silver bullion.	4,78,18
Securities (purchase price):—	
In India.	43,22,85
In England.	8,82,70
Internal Bills of Exchange.	2,00,00

INDIAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

The Indian Football League which was so successfully run under the auspices of the Bengal Club last year, will commence its second session on Saturday, the 27th instant. Entries will be closed on the 25th instant. The matches will be played on Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays only when the Cooperage Ground is available, some matches will be arranged there, otherwise, most of the matches will be played on the Bengal Club Ground at Parel.

The Tournament is open to Indian Teams only, and the Entrance Fee has been fixed at Rs. 10|- per team Each Club will, however, be required to be affiliated to the Western India Football Association on payment of Rs. 5|- or Rs. 2|8|- as a Senior or Junior Club respectively. The Entrance fee may be sent at once to the Honorary Secretary, Indian Football League, Committee, c|o Bengal Club, Noble House Parel.

A MATTER FOR ENQUIRY

Atiya Begum has forwarded to us copy of a letter which the father of a boy studying in the Imamwada Urdu Municipal School has addressed to the President and Members of the Schools Committee in which a serious allegation is made against a high official of the Committee. It is alleged that during an examination, the official pulled the ear of the boy and violently slapped him with the result that the boy has since been suffering from acute pain in the ear and the docter who examined him said that the veins of the inner side of the ear had swollen.

"QUEEN OF NEPAL" IN COURT

"NEVER HAD ANY FAITH IN SADHUS"

"I FIRST WENT TO NURI BUWA UNWILLINGLY"

"I have no faith in a Sadhu", but my husband used to believe in his healing powers." was the blunt statement made by Shardabai, the girl in the "Queen of Nepal" case when it was taken up by Mr. I. N. Mehta, Presidency Magistrate, Girgaum Court, on Friday.

In this case Satara Apparao, a clerk in the Lloyds Bank has charged Ganpat Nuri, a Buwa of Kakadwadi and Mahadev, his disciple with having enticed away Shardabai, complainant's wife and abetment respectively.

At the outset Mr. Pilgavkar, counsel for the complainant made an application that Shardabai, who was cited as a prosecution witness may be examined as a court witness. Counsel wanted to cross-examine her and hence the request.

The Court refused to grant the application.

SHARDA IN WITNESS BOX.

Stepping into the witness box Shardabai said she was married to the complainant eight years ago. She was then 14 years old. She stayed with her mother-in-law during the first year of her marriage and then came back to Bombay to stay with her husband.

Counsel: Have you been staying with your husband since then?

Witness: Of course with him, where else could I stay!

Witness added that she knew the first accused. Her husband took her to him in Kakadwadi for the first time about a year ago. She used to go there very often either with her husband, her mother-in-law or father-in-law or with all of them.

WENT FIRST TO BUWA UNWILLINGLY.

She went there at first quite unwillingly because she never had faith in Sadhus.

Counsel: What were you doing there?

Witness: Nothing in particular a number of other women came there and used to sit and talk (laughter) sometimes we had Bhajan.

You said you went there unwillingly. Why do you say so?

DIDN'T THINK SADHU A GOOD MAN.

Because I did not think that the Sadhu was a good man.

Was there any reason for you to think so?—I never trust any man unless I know him well.

To another question witness said that subsequently she did not mind going to his place.

Why did you go there?—Because everybody else went.

Did you believe him to be a saint?—I thought he was just an ordinary man because I did not see any miracles performed by him.

Witness further said that her husband and others went there as her sister-in-law was ailing and they had faith in the Sadhu's healing powers.

Earlier Miss Roberts of the Church Mission Society told the story as to how Shardabai begged of her "in a most terrified voice" to give her shelter and witness complied with the request.

The case stands adjourned to May 3.

A KITCHEN TRAGEDY

Being grieved at her father's order to cook food soon, Champabai, an eighteen-year old girl, residing at Kumbharwada, committed suicide by setting fire to the clothes she was wearing, on Thursday. It appeared from the evidence led before the Coroner that Champabai lost her mother about three months ago and was affected in mind. The deceased's father Jadhatji Deoji told the deceased to cook food soon on Thursday. A little while after she closed the doors of her room, poured kerosine oil on the clothes she was wearing and set them on fire. The neighbours seeing flames and smoke coming out of the room, forced open the doors and found the deceased severely burnt. She died subsequently. The jury returned a verdict of suicide.

DEATH DUE TO MOTOR ACCIDENT

Panalal Champaklal (18) was removed to the G. T. Hospital on the 7th instant suffering with several injuries on his body to which he succumbed on Friday. The Coroner held an inquest when evidence was led to show that the deceased was crossing the Carnac Road when he was knocked down by a motor car driven by Captain Stewart. The jury returned a verdict of accidental death.

ST. JOHN AMBULENCE ASSOCIATION

SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES IN EXAMS.

Under the auspices of the St. John Ambulance Association, The "First Aid", "Home Nursing" and "Home Hygiene" classes, organised by Dr. Jamshed D. Desai, M.B.B.S. under the auspices of the St. John Ambulance Association in the "Young Ladies High School," were conducted by Miss Soonabai D. Desai. The classes were examined by Dr. C. C. Merchant B.A., M.B.B.S., Dr. Noshirwan J. Mehorhomji, M.B.B.S. and Capt. Kaikhushru S. Patel, I.M.S. respectively.

The following is the list of successful candidates:—

"FIRST AID":—Misses Homai P. Sethna, Dina R. Dubash, Ratan F. Panthaki, Tehmina P. Asha, Khorshed A. Khumbatta, Khorshed A. Dadachanji, Khorshed B. Karva, Mani S. Pavri, Jallan B. Hathiram, Sheran B. Mistry, Coomi D. Daruvala, Shirin M. Irani, Baimai D. Turner, Khorshed S. Gazdar, Khorshed F. Siganporia, Ratti J. Desai, Nurgez A. Dordi, Tehmi J. Engineer, Dhunvanti Hunsraj, Piroja P. Bharucha, Khorshed D. Pavri, Dhun H. Mistry, Latakumari M. Mehta, Banu M. Mistry, Homai, A. Merchant, Roda P. Ghandhi, Katty E. Mody, Nurzez B. Irani, Coomi C. Trombevala, Tehmi K. Mistry, Jaimai B. Dordi, Dolly H. Mistry, Khorshed S. Dastur, Meheran M. Lakdawala, Dina S. Karanjia, Dossan B. Khambatta, Dhun J. Contractor, Freny N. Ghandhi, Naneck D. Mody, Homai F. Mullan, Nurgez F. Colabevala, Vidyabai C. Parekh, Ratti S. Daruvala, Dhun S. Havevala, Najan M. Katrak, Dina B. Khambatta, Soona F. Dubash, Villoo C. Daruvala.

"HOME NURSING":—Misses

LATE MAHARAJA RANA OF JHALAWAR.

H. H. Sir Bhawanisinghji Bahadur K.C.S.I., the Maharaja Rana of Jhalawar whose death took place suddenly on board S. S. "Ranpura" on April 13.

Vira K. Katrak, Perin M. Masani, Shirin R. Irani, Motan H. Mistry, Coomi R. Umrigar, Dina H. Dubash, Dolly M. Engineer, Gul J. Wadia, Soona D. Aga, Meheran B. Shroff, Tehmi P. Colah, Bachan P. Asha, Zini R. Tavdivala, Piroja F. Colabevala, Dhun B. Daruvala, Freny P. Lakdavala, Banu H. Elayia, Soona B. Irani, Maneck B. Sahir, Gul J. Dalal, Putlan F. Siganporia, Gai M. Nakra, Gool R. Chaina, Freny A. Polishvala, Shirin R. Bhathena, Dina M. Katrak.

"HOME HYGIENE":—Misses Mani J. Jalnavala, Dhun H. Mistry Freny H. Balsara, Meheran S. Shroff, Naja N. Tavadia, Zarakhanoo Fazalbhoy, Meheran J. Bharucha, Putlan P. Padsha, Sheran D. Ponchkhanavala, Homai A. Balsara, Dina R. Dubash, Ratan F. Panthaki Dina S. Gai, Perin H. Bathivala, Homai P. Sethna, Hilla K. Desai, Ratan J. Bhagat.

KHADDI HAWKING IN BHULESHWAR

SUNDAY'S PROGRAMME

About 10 workers of the Bhuleswar District Congress Committee, went for hawking khaddar last Sunday in Swaminarayan chawl. They sold about Rs. 65 worth of khaddar. On last Monday also khaddar worth Rs. 20 was sold by the workers of the Committee. On Ramnavmi Day too, the undefatingable members went round from house to House for selling khaddar, and gold Rs. 28 worth of khaddar. As a result of this week's activities khaddar worth Rs. 113 was sold. The Committee is doing slite and steady work. The workers will hawk khaddar to-morrow (Sunday) also. They will start from Committee's office at 7-30 a.m. (S.T.) All the workers are requested to be present in time.

NEW AVIATION CORPORATION

GENERAL MOTORS AND THE NEWLY-FORMED COMPANY

The organisation of the Bendix Aviation Corporation is announced in New York with authorised issue of three million shares, of which 2,200,000 shares presently will be available to the public. The new Corporation will acquire the assets and business of the Bendix Corporation, the Bendix Brake Company, the Eclipse Machine Company, the Delco Aviation Corpoation, the Stromberg Carburetor Company, the Saintulla Magneto Corporation and other companies.

General Motors will have an interest in the newly-formed Corporation and will turn into it its rights in aviation accessory, field and other devices. The other companies, in their turn, will contribute in a similar manner.

The concerns brought together by the new Corporation are outstanding in their special fields. One result of this combination will be not only the expansion of the production of motor car accessories, but also the greatest increase may be expected from aviation accessory, as the products to be manufactured are those required by aviation.

The Board of Directors of the new Corporation includes Mr. Vincent Bendix, Chairman of the new Corporation, Mr. C. E. Wilson and Mr. Albert Bradley of General Motors Corporation, Mr. Richard F. Hoyt of the Hayden Stone Company (financiers) and who is Chairman of the Wright Aeronautical Company; Mr. W. L. O'Neill of the Stromberg Carburetor Company. Mr. Frederick B. Reutschier of the United Aircraft and Transport Corporation, Mr. James C. Wilson of the National Aviation Corporation, and Mr. Graham B. Grosvenor of the Aviation Corporation.

VANITA VISHRAM TRAINING COLLEGE

ARTS AND CRAFTS EXHIBITION

A pleasant function was organised by the students and teachers of the Vanita Vishram Training College on Friday when the exhibition of ats and crafts prepared by the pupils of the Training College was opened by Mrs. Jaishribehen Raeji. Among those present at the occasion were Mrs. Shivgauri, Gajjar, the original founder of the Vanita Vishram, the Poet Lalitji, Mr. Hiralal M. Mehta, the Secretary of the Institution, Miss Shah the Principal and other ladies and gentlemen. Works of art exhibited include embroidery work, silk work, plaster of Paris models, paintings, photographs, etc.

The exhibition is open to the public until Sunday next and in the evenings special programmes of music and "garba" by the girls have been arranged.

No fees are charged for seeing the exhibition.

THE LATE MR. K. S. RAMASWAMI IYER

We deeply regret to announce the death, early yesterday morning, of Mr. K. S. Ramaswami Iyer B.A., B.L., Managing Agent, Aurungabad Mills, Ltd., Bombay. Mr. Iyer was the last surviving son of the late Sir K. Seshadri Iyer, Dowan of Mysore. When Mr. Iyer took his Law degree, the affairs of the Aurungabad Mills, which was originally started by his father, were in such a state that Mr. Iyer resolved to abandon the legal profession in favour of pulling through his mills out of its troubles. So successful was Mr. Iyer in his management of the mill that at the time of his death the mill had a capital surplus equal to nearly three times the share capital as against a heavy capital debt when he took over the affairs of the then sinking concern.

Mr. Iyer was a man of exceedingly amiabe nature and of spotless private character. He was literally a guide, philosopher and friend to a very large number of relations and friends. Mr. Iyer leaves behind him four nephews and a number of relations, to whom we offer our condolences.

MUSLIM STUDENTS' UNION.

To meet Mr. M. A. Jinnah, a conversational meeting of the above Union will be held in the Union Hall, on Sunday, 21st instant, at 6 p.m. Members are requested to send their names to the undersigned Ahmed merchant, Sultan Fazalbhoy, Hon. Secretaries.

ADDITIONAL PRESIDENCY MAGISTRATE

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—I shall thank you to find space in your popular paper for the following communication as the matter is of great public importance. The appointment of an additional Presidency Magistrate is being considered by Government for some time past. I understand that the name of the Registrar of the Police Courts has been suggested in this connection. From the Registrar to a Presidency Magistrate is surely a big jump and one is at a loss to know what special merits justify his selection for a post which demands a knowledge of principles of law in which he cannot be called an expert. Only a few days ago the practising members of the Police Court Bar passed a resolution disapproving of the contemplated appointment of an officer of the Provincial Service to the post ignoring the claims of the Bar. It was made plain on that occasion that the report of the Public Service Commission recommends that these vacancies should be filled by direct recruitment and that ministerial officers should not be promoted to judicial posts.

As regards another name suggested I can only hope the communal principle in the matter of these appointments will not be exploited in a manner which does not make for efficiency. If Government want this time to appoint a Christian to this post, surely the candidate should approximately have a fair chance of being selected on the strength of his own merit and the advantage of belonging to a particular community should be only considered as an additional weight in his favour. I should not be understood to be casting any aspersions on my Christian brethren nor do I suggest that the claims of Christians should not be considered for the post if there should be candidates from amongst them who have proved their fitness for the post.—Yours etc.

FAIRPLAY.

Bombay, April 18.

SUGAR MARKET REPORT.

Bombay, April 19.

The Market has ruled steady to-day and Prices both for Ready and Forward position are nearly unaltered.

The following are the closing quotations ruling the bazar to-day:—

Fine White Java Sugar:—
Ready Rs. 13/11 per cwt.
Transhipment Rs. 8/10 per cwt FBH.
Shipment March Rs. 8/7/6 per cwt F.B.H.
Shipment April Rs. 8/10 per cwt F.B.H.
Shipment June Rs. 8/2 per cwt F.B.H.
Shipment July/Sept. Rs. 8/1 per cwt F.B.H.
Shipment Oct/Dec. Rs. 8/1/6 per cwt F.B.H.
B.R.B. Beet Sugar:—
Ready Rs. 13/10 per cwt.
Shipment March Rs. 8/5/6 per cwt F.B.H.
Shipment April Rs. 8/6/6 per cwt F.B.H.
Refined Beet Sugar:—
Ready Rs. 13/5/6 per cwt.
Shipment March Rs. 8/0/6 per cwt F.B.H.
Tone:—Steady.

BOMBAY SUBURBAN YOUTH CONFERENCE

The above Conference which was to be held on 21st April has been postponed to 18th and 19th May. This is the first time the youths of the suburbs have decided to hold their own conference and consolidate the Youth movement in the suburbs. Many young men and women are joining as the Reception Committee members. The members of Youth Leagues in the suburbs and those who reside in other suburbs where Youth Leagues do not exist can become Delegates of the Conference. The fee for Reception Committee is Re. 1|- and the Delegate's fee is As. 8. The tickets can be had from the following places: (1) H. D. Rajah, Khar Youth League, Khar. (2) N. H. Vallibhoy, Hill Road, Bandra. (3) Mr. Hathiangadi, Secretary Santa Cruz Youth League. (4) M. S. Dikshit, President, Vile-Parle Youth League, and (5) Mr. Hiralal Contractor, Secretary, Andheri Youth League.

Diwan Chamanlal will preside over the Conference.

RESULTS OF FINAL M. C. P. S. EXAM.

The following candidates have passed the Final M.C.P.S. Examination held in the current month:—

Ramchandrarao Ranganatharao (in both parts) Rangaswamy Shamaiyengar (in part 1 only).

Bandra, April 19.—The Reception Committee of the Maharashtra Provincial Congress Committee has unanimously elected Mr. Vallabhai Patel as the President of the Seventh session of the Conference to be held on the 4th and 5th May at Bandra.—A. P.

BENGAL GOVT. IN A FIX!

DISSOLUTION OF COUNCIL INEVITABLE?

NONE WILLING TO TAKE OFFICE

DARJEELING, April 18.

It is understood that His Excellency the Governor has been consulting several possible candidates for the Ministry and exploring every combination likely to ensure stability. It appears obvious that he is finding the greatest difficulty in arriving at the personnel of the Ministry and that the dissolution of the Council must be considered not altogether beyond the bounds of possibility.—A.P.

PROBABLES N MINISTERIAL RACE

CALCUTTA, April 19.

Enquiries in authoritative circles show that though the dissolution of the Council might be considered as one way out of the Ministerial 'impasse', the Governor of Bengal will not favour such a proposal, as a dissolution under the present circumstances would mean a sweeping Swarajists victory. The search for Ministers with stability is however proceeding space.

QUESTION OF MINISTRY.

It is understood that at one time a suggestion was made for the appointment of two Muslim Ministers; but a prominent leader of the Muslim group, who was consulted, discountenanced such a proposal as unwise. The question of a Ministry with two Muslims and one Hindu was also discussed and abandoned.

PROBABLES IN THE REIU.

It is stated that in place of the late Nawab Nawabali Chaudhuri, the leader of he Muslim group will be ajjointed. It will facilitate the formation of a Hindu-Muslim Ministry, thus securing support of the two Muslim groups and some Hindus. In this connection the names of Sir Abdur Rahim and Maharaja Mymensingh for the Ministry, and of Sir A. K. Ghuznavi for the Executive Councillorship are being mentioned.—Free Press.

Latest Cotton Quotations

(From Our Correspondent).

NEW YORK.

MAY.

New York, April 19.

Previous Closing Rate	20.22
To-day's Opening Rate	20.29
Difference	+.07
To-day's Closing Rate	20.15
Difference	—.07

Broach Expectations Rs. 360 0-0

LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool, April 19.

Previous Closing Rate	10.42
To-day's Opening Rate	10.12
Difference	nil
To-day's Closing Rate	10.46
Difference	+.04

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET

From our Special Correspondent.

Liverpool, April 19.

The Liverpool cot futures market was due to open at a decline of 2 points higher for May and ettaoings the market opened at unchanged prices and advanced 6 points Somewhat quieter New York advices during the last hour administered a small decline and the market closed at a rise of 4 points.

The New York market opened 7 points higher for May and 2 points higher for July. Scattered coverings added a rise of 5 points to the opening level but owing to absence of business prices quited absence and at the time of Liverpool close, the New York futures were 7 points higher.

WEATHER OVER COTTON BELT

Slight rain over Arkansas Eastern belt generally fair. All balance entire belt cloudy.

LONDON SILVER MARKET

London, April 19.

Silver Ready	25 13 0 unchanged.
Silver Forward	25 13 0 unchanged.

Tone of Market:—Steady.

BOMBAY PRICES.

Bombay, April 19.

1st Settlement	58 9 0
2nd Settlement	58 12 0
3rd Settlement	58 14 0

EXPORTS FROM BOMBAY.

Bombay, April 19.

1st Sept. to 11th April

In full-pressed Bales.

Yesterday.

	This year.
Europe	4,974 586,799
Japan & China	3,800 1,097,463
Coast Ports	14,329
Up-country by Rail	72,353
Afloat in harbour for Europe,	
China and Japan	75,372
Total	8,774 1,846,116

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The Bombay Chronicle

SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 1929

Advance Boycott.

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We have noted before that the last U. P. Liberal Conference commended to the National Liberal Council a resolution supporting the boycott of British goods and that this resolution was strongly supported by the Liberal organ, the "Leader" of Allahabad. We now note, without surprise, that the "Pioneer" is not much pleased with the resolution. It is particularly puzzled how Liberals could persuade themselves to support such a thing as boycott of British goods. The long rigmarole of the "Pioneer" contains little or no argument against the boycott. It only asserts that a complete boycott of British goods is an utter impossibility. Any schoolboy would say as much but no one has suggested a complete boycott of all British goods. Without attempting to discuss here the possibilities of a boycott of selected British goods, we shall only maintain that a complete boycott of British cloth is thoroughly practicable. And we should much like the "Pioneer" to disprove that statement if it can. For various obvious reasons, the Congress and several other bodies have declared a boycott of all foreign cloth, one reason being the fear that Manchester cloth might otherwise come to India through China or some other country. Such a boycott, the Congress maintains, is a most legitimate and potent weapon, economically, politically and morally.

Speaking about the boycott of British goods in general, the "Leader" remarked: "We have always been critical of this boycott movement as an economic measure. But our advocacy of it to-day is not motived by considerations economic. We are actuated by the political motive". Now, so long as the right thing is done, one need not mind the motive behind the act. But we cannot believe that our contemporary's doubts about the economic propriety or efficacy of the boycott of British goods in general extend to the boycott of all foreign cloth. We would be more than satisfied if the National Liberal Council approves of this limited boycott—using some other word if necessary. But what is expected from Congressmen, Liberals, and all other Indians is not merely an academic support of the boycott but organised, persistent, intensive and almost aggressive action in respect of the boycott on a scale unprecedented in the annals of the country or of the world. A campaign so carried on is bound to be at least as effective as similar ones have been in China, Ireland and the American colonies of the eighteenth century. Every Indian must be fired with the Swadeshi fervour which stirred the whole household of George Washington to take to hand-spinning and hand-weaving rather than touch British cloth, which stirs Mahatma Gandhi to wear himself out in the preaching and practice of the gospel of the charkha.

In the foreign cloth boycott is the salvation of the country and in particular of the Indian cloth producers. But what are the Indian mill-owners doing to promote the boycott? Nothing or next to nothing. While Lancashire interests have allied themselves with the Government against India, our mill-owners in spite of their desperate condition have failed to ally themselves with Indian leaders against a common opponent. Do they seriously expect to get any real help from a Government who, in the words of Sir Victor Sassoon, allow the textile industry to bleed slowly without lifting their little finger? Our mill-owners' own interest and their sense of national interests should alike induce them to help Mahatma Gandhi in an organised campaign against foreign cloth. All that they may have to do as part of a common plan of action is to stop producing what is called "mill khaddar" or similar rough cloth. We trust even before the All-India Congress Committee meets in Bombay next month the Bombay and Ahmedabad mill-owners will come to an understanding with Mahatmaji with regard to a common plan of action. We also hope the National Liberal Council will soon give its whole-hearted support to the boycott of all foreign cloth.

Their Common Heritage.

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The political optimists in India, whose number by the way is dwindling with remarkable rapidity, who believe that Britain will grant India genuine self-government if she is only persistently begged to do so, should ponder carefully over the declarations of Empire policy made in the speeches of Mr. Baldwin and of Mr. J. H. Thomas, the Labour Imperialist who hopes to be Colonial Secretary if Mr. MacDonald can assume reins of office after May next. On the main principles of Empire policy the Tory and the Liberal leaders see, of course, eye to eye, but it is a clear indication of Labour's desire to continue "Trusteeship" of the "subject" portions of the Empire, when Mr. Thomas talks of the "consolidation and progress of the heritage of which all parties were proud". He made a platitudinous reference to the plight of Indians in South Africa but, like Mr. Baldwin, he and his comrades on the Labour Front Bench are more concerned with problems of "developing the Colonial Empire" and the multiplication of markets than with satisfying the legitimate desire of the "subject" people of the Empire to become free and self-governing.

Elect Him Unopposed.

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From Delhi comes the welcome news that Pundit Motilal Nehru and Pundit Malaviya have requested Dr. Ansari to represent Delhi at the coming Assembly elections. Dr. Ansari is reported to be still undecided as to whether he should enter the electoral lists, but we do hope his decision will be favourable to such entry, now that he has received a call from two of his most stalwart comrades in the fight for securing freedom for India. It is significant that Pundit Malaviya should have associated himself with Pundit Motilal in making this very opportune request to Dr. Ansari. It is an eloquent testimony to the high esteem in which this veteran Congressman is held by leaders of the Hindu Sabha. The electors of the Delhi constituency, the only constituency in which the healthy principle of joint electorates operates, should not only choose Dr. Ansari as their representative but should also hasten to express a desire that his election should be uncontested.

Priests and Priests

A number of young Muslims of Calcutta are reported to have formed themselves into a society to fight what they call "Mullaism", that is, we believe, a tendency in a pretty large section of present-day Mullahs to ridicule and hinder rational social progress among Muslims by misinterpreting Islamic texts. It is to be remembered that Islam does not sanction priesthood. Never-the-less Muljahs can serve a useful purpose if they seek to keep alive the true spirit of religion and to promote essential social reform among their co-religionists. The same can be said of priests of other faiths. But when priests forget their legitimate functions and trade upon men's superstition and breed bigotry, their activities need to be curbed. Care should be taken, however, that the reaction against religiosity does not prejudice true religion. The Punjab Rationalist Association is reported to be contemplating a campaign against all theistic religion. A true Rationalist should seek to rationalise religion rather than to abolish or undermine it.

"SANTA CRUZ GARBA PARTY"

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To the Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—I am glad to read a letter in your issue of the 17th instant from "The Mother's Child," as it shows a desire to learn on the part of the rising generation. I do not know if it is a young sister or a young brother of mine who writes this letter. But whether it be a sister or a brother, there is a misunderstanding on her or his part regarding the real objective of celebrating the National Week. The National Week presents two aspects:

(i) remembrance of our humiliation and the horrors of Jallianwalla.

ii the determination on the part of the nation that those horrors will never repeat themselves.

The second aspect is constructive, and, I believe, the Congress lays greater stress on this aspect. The Indian people cannot forget the wrongs perpetrated then; at the same time they cannot afford to meditate eternally on those wrongs. They have to take up constructive work and to rouse themselves to a pitch of fervour and enthusiasm of service and self-sacrifice so that they may get that emancipation which alone will be a safeguard against any repetition of the reign of terror in the Punjab.

There are 'Garbas' and 'Garbas' and the 'Garbas' we have on such political occasions are not the 'Garbas' we have for instance; during Navaratri holidays. The Garba we have on political days like the National Week consists of political songs of a very high order and these 'Garbas' sung in the sweet voices of our Gujarati sisters are a lesson themselves in politics which "the Mother's Children" cannot afford to neglect. Whether in the West or East, political songs are always considered to be a part, and a very essential part, of all political agitation and it would be suicidal to leave them out at political meetings. There is a song called Ratanben's song composed by a Gujarati Poet about Jallianwalla which for pathos and patriotism has perhaps very few equals. There are also the songs composed at the time of the Bardoli agitation, which are gems of political poetry. Surely there is a legitimate place for such 'Garbas' during the National Week, expressing, as they do the innermost feeling of the people and, conveying, as they do, a message of their own to all our men and women,

I am sure that if "the Mother's Child" is a young sister of mine, she will be the first to lead the 'Garba' the next time we have it, and if it happens to be a young brother of mine, he will listen to the 'Garbas' under the midnight stars and take an inspiration from them of Service and Self-sacrifice.—Yours, etc.,

J. A. MEHTA.

Santa Cruz, April 18.

AN INSULTING APOLOGY FOR MUSLIMS*

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A PROPAGANDIST A LA COATMAN

(BY M. A. B.)

The book is an appeal to the British and may be summarised as 'Please, 'ma-bap,! save us from the accursed Hindus and do not leave us as helpless orphans, because you are—"ma-bap." The author who has been brought out of the 'Purdah' by a kindly Anglo-Indian journal and who is no other than the retired Post-Master General of the Hyderabad State, professes to be a learned historian. He has, undoubtedly, read something of Indian History. He has studied nothing of it. And he has done well, because any serious study would have led him to conclusions, inconvenient to his theme. He is frankly a propagandist a la Coatman. But he has overdone his task. His apology for the British and the Muslims must embarrass the former and bring a blush of shame to the latter. And as regards the Hindus, there is no word which can describe their badness.

ADVOCATE OF MIGHT.

He is a lover of the British and the Empire and being a historian, knows so very much of British political traditions and constitutional history as actually to suggest absolutism and dictatorhip in India! He has also a very wholesome respect for might. He quotes the late Nizam's words to Sir David Barr: "Blow hot or blow cold, as you please, but never forget your strength." I wonder, why this ex-servant of the Nizam and the author of "British India from Queen Elizabeth to Lord Reading," has omitted to express his satisfaction that the British, at long last, did accept the advice in the shape, for instance, of Lord Reading's notorious letter to the late Nizam's son and the author's master. He is also a historian of the Great War with a minor defect or two. He does not know that the British army was really organised by Lord Haldane and that Lord Kitchener was a failure at the War Office.

CLUMSY EFFORT.

Then he knows a good deal about Foreign Affairs. He seems to be firmly convinced that "t Russian Soviet" was "set up by her (Germany's) hirelings" out of rancour and spite. More. It was left to him to discover that the Big Four at the Paris Peace Conference were really "three self-appointed plenipotentiaries with that extraordinary mental perversity, the American President Wilson, in control not with

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*The Indian Moslems.—By an Indian Mahomedan (Ardenne Publishers, London).

Notes of the Day.

Uncomfortable.

The Tories felt very uncomfortable over the scathing exposure Mr. Philip Snowden made of the Baldwin Government's policy of treating the question of inter-allied debts in his speech on Mr. Churchill's budget proposals. They had reason to feel acutely discomforted because the Tory policy has been to pander to French wishes and let France off as lightly as possible in the matter of repayment of her war debts to Britain. Mr. Snowden's reiteration of his criticism and his declaration that "he was sufficient of an Englishman not to be content to see his people bled white for the benefit of more prosperous countries" will be extremely welcome to the average British voter and the Labour Party is sure to utilise Mr. Snowden's spirited retort as an excellent electioneering cry.

Mr. MacDonald's Snub.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's snub to the Baldwin Government that the debt agreements "were not sacred against any revision" was so effective that it only drew the cheap satirical comment from Sir Austen Chamberlain that he hoped Mr. MacDonald "would tell the world that whatever party was in office, England would keep her word." This rhetorical effort is not likely to blind the British voter to the disquieting fact that France has scored over England in the agreements in regard to the repayment of her war debts. The episode is sure to cost the Tories dear in the general elections.

Excellent Move.

In inviting the principal Foreign Consuls in Bombay to a dinner on Tuesday Mr. Tairsee, the President of the Indian Chamber of Commerce, made an excellent move towards the realisation of an ideal, the importance of which should at once be evident to all lovers of industrial and commercial progress in this country, the ideal of securing fraternisation of all the international elements whose activities in the sphere of industry and commerce in every country lead to the general progress of humanity. The cultural contact established by such gatherings was well emphasized by Mr. Tairsee while the Doyen of Foreign Consuls in Bombay, Dr. de Silva, the Consul-General for Portugal, in his felicitous speech stressed the moral significance of such meetings. They are a very valuable means of strengthening the relations of mutual esteem between Bombay's businessmen and the foreign mercantile world and we hope such functions will be annual events.

Malpractices in Jails.

Sir Grimwood Mears, Chief Justice of the Allahabad High Court delivering judgment on the Naini Jail Riot case, passed some severe strictures on certain prison officials concerned. He specially censured Jailor Williamson for causing the prisoners to be beaten and Jailor Fordham for not reporting the facts when they came to his notice. His Lordship also observed that the grain supplied to the prisoners was of short weight and expressed the opinion that prisoners shoud not receive corporal punishment unless under special instructions from the Jail Superintendent. The malpractices noted by the Judge are only a few out of many that are suspected to be common in most jails in India, but which cannot be brought to light easily.

Policy of Frightfulness.

It is amazing to learn from Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru that six of the under-trial prisoners at Meerut are still confined in solitary cells and not allowed to talk to one another If this is the treatment given to men of culture and standing even before any guilt is proved against them, what mercy could common convicts expect from jail officials?

A Thought for the Day.

"As soon as you can say what you think, and not what some other person has thought for you, you are on the way to being a remarkable man."

J. M. BARRIE.

THROUGH BRITISH EYES

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BATHING SCANDAL—SIMON COMMISSION BOYCOTT EFFECTIVE

(By Scrutator.)

That scandalous column, "Through Indian Eyes", in the "Times of India", held up to ridicule certain resolutions passed by the First All-India Marwari Agarwala Panchayat. This article of the 11th instant in the "Times" quoted some resolutions of the Panchayat on child-marriage (which, undoubtedly, were progressive) and contrasted them with those relating to widow re-marriages and sought to make a farce out of the whole business of the Panchayat.

BRITISH BATHING SCANDAL.

Close upon this was given in a remote corner of the pages of the "Evening News of India" (which the "Chronicle" fittingly described as the Chota Daniel sometime ago) under the caption of "Bathing Scandal," the true story of the hideous fashions at the bathing-centre of Brighton. "The Times," always relegates unpalatable matters (like the one which I shall presently quote in full) to the columns of "The Evening News of India," and we are at a loss to know the source of authorship of this small two-columned news. "The Evening News of India" has not the courtesy to mention the name of the British journal from which it reproduced this piece of news regarding Brighton. If it is its own correspondent sending from Brighton to Bori Bunder his interesting piece of news, then the two allied journals are doing splendid "disinterested" work, by exposing Indian social "scandals" from one side and British "scandals" on the other.

UNDRESSING IN THE OPEN.

Here is the edifying news in one of the issue of "The Evening News of India" of the last week:—

"Representations are being made to the authorities at Brighton asking for strict enforcement of bathing regulations during summer. It is alleged that last year men and women undressed on the beach in full view of onlookers and stories are told of the bathing parties near Saltdean and Rottingdean, when the scantiest costumes are worn. Undressing in the open is permitted .....while there are notices which forbid women to bathe unless they wear costumes which "extend from the neck to the ankles."

A prominent Free Churchman told a pressman that he had seen young men and women, who were obviously only friends, undress together and in full view of everyone on the beach and promenade. In some cases women walked on to the Downs after bathing, dressed only in their costumes. On the beach near Rottingdean last summer, men and women lay in sun in costumes as scanty as those worn on the Lido."

SIMON COMMISSION BOYCOTT EFFECTIVE.

"The Empire Review" in its most recent issue has frankly admitted the strength of the boycott of the Simon Commission though there are the loud protestations of the Anglo-Indian journals. The cock-and-bull stories of receptions and hearty welcomes have, more than once, been contradicted by this out and out Imperialist Review, which must be, at least, credited with statement of accurate facts despite its rank reactionary views regarding India. "The Empire Re-

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AMANULLAH'S VICTORIOUS ADVANCE ON KABUL

No Serious Opposition Met by His Forces

HIS SON HURRIES TO MOSCOW

Afghan Bands Believed to Have Crossed Soviet Border

LONDON, April 18.

The "Daily Telegraph's" diplomatic correspondent states that Amanullah's son has left for Moscow in order to secure help for his father.—Free Press Beam Service.

MASSING OF SOVIET TROOPS ON RUSSIAN BORDER

QUETTA, April 19.

Many reports have been current lately as to the attitude of Russia in the struggle now going on between Amanullah and Bacha-i-Saqao.

It was believed that the Russians would throw the weight of their active support on the side of the Ex-King and this belief was strengthened by the fact that Ghulam Saddio Khan, Amanullah's Foreign Minister, recently visited Moscow with the ostensible object of enlisting Bolshevik support.

Authentic information now received is to the effect that he had a rather cold reception at Moscow and that the Soviet Government have definitely refused to take any side in the trial of strength between Amanullah and Bacha-i-Saqao. There has, however, been some movement of troops on the Russian border which is nothing but local regrouping of forced to deal, if necessary, with possible tribal unrest in Turkestan.—A. P.

AMANULLAH'S VICTORIOUS ADVANCE

SIMLA, April 19.

With reference to the strong rumour that Amanulla h Khan entered Ghazni about 15th or 16th enquiry in well-informed circles here has failed to obtain definite confirmation, though the news may possibly be correct.

No fighting on a large scale between the two forces has yet been reported and Amanullah's advance appears hitherto to have been entirely unopposed.—A. P.

AFGHAN BANDS CROSS SOVIET FRONTIER

LONDON, April 19.

The Riga correspondent of the "Times" states: Moscow Government has officially announced that organised bands from Afghanistan have crossed the Soviet frontier and are marching. The Soviet have sent troops to repel the invaders.—Free Press Beam Service.

DR. ANSARI FOR ASSEMBLY

DELHI, April 19.

It is understood that Pandit Motilal Nehru and Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya have requested Dr. Ansari to represent Delhi at the coming Assembly elections; but he is still undecided. Should Dr. Ansari be unable to accept the proposal, Moulana Abul Kalam Azad will be approached.—Free Press.

LABOUR IN POWER IN 1929 WILL BE NO BETTER THAN LABOUR IN POWER IN 1924

Mr. Thomas Reaffirms Party's Faith

CONSOLIDATION OF THEIR "COMMON HERITAGE"

LONDON, April 18.

Mr. J. H. Thomas opened the general Imperial debate on various estimates relating to the Dominions, Colonial Offices, Empire Marketting Board and Overseas Settlement Committee and declared that the aim of the Labour Government in 1929 as in 1924 would be not disintegration of the Empire, but consolidation and progress of the heritage of which all parties were proud. He advocated that the Imperial Conferences should not necessarily be always held in Britain and the basis of it should be broadened to include all parties instead of only Governments.

HERTZOG'S RELUCTANCE.

He referred to General Hertzog's alleged reluctance to attend the last Imperial Conference and said that he went to South Africa personally to invite General Hertzog to attend. He felt that the Conference without South Africa would be a disaster.

INDIANS IN SOUTH AFRICA.

He found one of the gravest questions in South Africa was the Indian problem which he suggested could only be faced by the recognition of it as an Imperial question. The representatives of South Africa, India and Britain should sit together to consider it in an Imperial sense. That suggestion was followed by the India Office after the Labour Government had departed office.

DISPARITY IN PRICES.

Mr. Thomas paid a tribute to the work of the Empire Marketing Board, whose research work, he said, justified every copper of the expenditure on it, but its activities should not be limited to research. Mr. Thomas drew attention to the glaring disparity in the prices paid to the overseas producer and the retail prices for his produce in London. It would be Labour's policy to ascertain reason for this difference.

MR. AMERY'S VIEWS.

Mr. Amery, replying, endorsed Mr. Thomas's advocacy of the Opposition Party participating in the Imperial Conferences, but said that the suggestion had not been approved by any Dominions' representatives, some of whom expressed the view that the change was bound to hamper a frank exchange of views, and might lead to serious complications. Mr. Amery said the Prime Minister of Canada put the crux of the matter when he described the Imperial Conference as the Conference of Governments, not an Imperial Council to determine the policy of the Empire as a whole.

Mr. Amery laid stress on the importance of the continuity of the policy as a whole and hoped in this connection, that the system of conferences between Parliamentarians would develop, similar to Imperial Conferences.

Mr. Amery paid a tribute to the system of High Commissioners, which facilitated co-operation, and likewise to the creation of Dominion representatives in foreign capitals.

The House adjourned the debate on Dominions' estimates.—Reuter.

EMPIRE PRODUCERS ON TORY BUDGET

LONDON, April 18.

The Council of the British Empire Producers' Organisation has adopted a resolution expressing regret at the absence of an element of Empire develoment from the budget, especially in view of the recent pronouncement of the Premier Baldwin that Government's first effort would be the extension of Empire preferences, deploring the abolition of preference in tea, urging that in future reduction of duties should be accompanied by an equivalent sum being collected from duties on foreign commodities which could be produced within the Empire and regretting that the Chancellor had not increased the sugar preference as a contribution to the solution of the depressed condition of the sugar industry of the Empire.—Reuter.

BARDOLI AGAIN?

Daskroi Farmers Confer

SARDAR VALLABHAI AND MAHATMAJI TO BE CONSULTED

AHMEDABAD, April 19.

At a meeting of the farmers of South Daskroi Taluka held this afternoon at Bhuvaldi, Dr. Hariprasad, President Daskroi Taluka Congress Committee, who was in the chair said that Satyagraha was their last resort for the present. The Government should grant relief as promised in their Press Note.

If, however, Government turned deaf ear they would consult Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and Mbatma Gandhi, and declare Satyagraha if advised by them.

A resolution was passed urging Government not to enforce coercive measures of attachment and forfeiture till "Khatawar Annavaris" were published and farmers of each village had submitted objections.—A. P.

WHITELY COMMISSION PERSONNEL

NO HURRY FOR ANNOUNCEMENT

DELHI, April 19.

The Rt. Hon. Mr. V. S. Srinivasa Sastri passed through Delhi last night on his way to Simla. Interviewed by a press representative as to why the Government did not yet announce the personnel of the Labour Commission, he said that there is no hurry as the Commission start work only in October. As to the revolutionary movement, he said that he was definitely of opinion that there did exist a genuine revolutionary party in the country, with a definite programme.—Free Press.

NEXT SESSION OF CONGRESS

CHOICE OF SITE

LAHORE, April 19.

In connection with the selection of the site for the next session of the Indian National Congress, the Reception Committee approached the Government for permission to use the Minto Park. It is understood that the Deputy Commissioner along with Mr. Dunichand and Dr. Alam inspected the place and submitted his recommendations to the Government. The reply is still awaited.—Free Press.

CONGRESS VICE-PRESIDENT'S HOUSE SEARCHED

LYALLPUR, April 19.

The police searched to-day the House and factory of Chintaram, Vice-President of the Congress. Lahore police, assisted by local officers, carried on a raid lasting for five hours. The police took away some books, Hunter Committee Report and some private letters. The search was alleged to be in connection with the arrest of Mr. Sukh Dev Thapar, the nephew of Mr. Chintaram.—Free Press.

SETH JAMNALAL BAJAJ ON A LECTURE TOUR

AJMER, April 19.

Seth Jamnalal Bajaj visited Reengus on the 14th instant. He went round some three small villages, inspecting the Khadi work carried on there. On the seventeenth, Sethji spoke at Sikar on the removal of untouchability to a selected audience, emphasising the throwing open of Hindu temples to untouchables. The speech was appreciated by the audience. On the eighteenth, he went to Shrimadpur and delivered a lecture on Khadi and social reforms. Sethji is leaving Ajmer to-night, and reaching Bombay on the 21st.—Free Press.

OUSTING INDIANS

Colour War in S. Africa

MORE OPPRESSIVE LAWS ON THE ANVIL

JOHANNESBURG, April 19.

The local municipality has issued a notice intending to enact a byelaw prohibiting hawking within certain areas.

It appear this will affect the livelihood of many Indian hawkers.

The consensus of opinion among the Indians in Transavaal desires suitable revision of the Act of 1885.

Gold Mines Act, Township Act, License Ordinance and other discriminating laws affecting the residential and trading rights of Indians in Transvaal. The livelihood of Indians in Transvaal solely depend upon trade and they look to India to make strong representations to proper authorities concerned to end such periodical oppressive legislation causing continuous anxiety.—Free Press Beam Service.

SOUTH AFRICAN ELECTIONS

GENERAL HERTZOG OUTLINES POLICY

LONDON, April 19.

Capetown.—General Hertzog, in a speech on the election policy, at Smithfield, said that the Nationalist programme included "rejection of General Smuts' doctrine of the incorporation or federation of the Union with British territories in the East or Northeast Africa." Those territories would never be anything but native territories. The Nationalist also favoured solution of native problems on the lines of political and territorial segregation.

General Hertzog declared that unless the native vote was separated from the White, it would cause the greatest tragedy in South African history.—Reuter.

"RED" WARNING TO AN M. L. A.

"BEWARE MR. M. K ACHARYA'

MADRAS, April 18.

The "Madras Mail" publishes text of a letter sent to Mr. M. K. Acharya signed by Dharam Raj, Minister of Justice, Hindustan Socialist Republican Association, Delhi camp, issued on Monday night April 8. The following is a copy of the letter.

"Notice to Mr. M. K. Acharya. Whereas you seem to have forgotten what happened to you last September at Simla and whereas your activities of late however honest in your opinion are becoming more inimical to higher national interests. Beware your name has been placed on our list but because you are an old and esteemed national worker, you are hereby given one more warning. Already there are two black marks against you for your opposition to the Child Marriage Bill, for your support to the Trades Disputes Bill. The third will be the last black mark against you. Beware".

The notice was enclosed in a one anna postal envelope and bore New Delhi post office clearance stamp, April 10, a.m. and delivery stamp at 8 a.m. It was received by Mr. Acharya between 8-30 a.m. and 9-0 a.m. on the 10th inst. The original along with the cover has been handed over to the police for investigation.—Free Press.

M. LITVINOFF'S RESOLUTION

PRINCIPLES OF DRAFT CONVENTION

LONDON, April 18.

Geneva.—M. Litvinoff has submitted a resolution that firstly that the draft convention should be based on the principle of appreciable reduction of existing armed forces, secondly that the methods of reducing armaments should be based on a proportional principle or similar impartial criterion applied equally and universally, except in case of smaller and insufficiently protected States, and thirdly the inclusion of numerical co-efficients for the reduction of armaments.—Reuter.

VOTE ON SOVIET SCHEME POSTPONED

LONDON, April 18.

Geneva.—The Disarmament Committee has postponed the vote on the Soviet scheme till April, 19th to enable further private consideration regarding the Committee's competency to deal with it.—Reuter.

'SOLDIERS AS ROWDIES

Invade Police Station

BEAT INSPECTORS AND POLICEMEN WITH HOCKEY STICKS & LATHIS

CALCUTTA, April 19.

A report has been received that serious rioting and looting occurred at Chinsurah, in Hooghly District, yesterday. It is stated that three Eastern Frontier Rifleshmen were taken to the Police Station in connection with a disturbance at a certain "mela".

While the Sub-Inspector was recording their statements, about forty Frontier Rifleshmen armed with lathies and hockey-sticks raided the Thana, beat the sentry and constables and threw away the police diary and other papers. Many persons are reported to have been assaulted.

On their way back the rowdies looted shops and smashed glass windows.

Eight persons have been sent to hotspital suffering from injuries. One woman died of injuries this morning.

The Police Superintendent and the Assistant Magistrate are making enquiries.

Four Riflesmen have been arrested.—A. P.

COMMUNISTS ON THE BRAIN

PARIS POLICE TO HAVE MORE LIGHT

PARIS, April 19.

The Police Headquarters will soon have electric light supply of their own to guard against Communist coups, the necessity of which was brought home one night on February last when the greater part of Paris was plunged in darkness owing to the breakdown of the electric supply.

This, of course, was not due to Communists but this led the police realising how easily lighting supply could be put out of order and thus how great attraction such may prove for the revolutionaries. The new installation will cost 600,000 francs approximately £5,000.—Free Press Beam Service.

NEWSPAPER OFFICE BURNT DOWN

FOR CRITICISM OF KUOMINTANG

PARIS, April 19.

The Shanghai correspondent of "Petit Parisien" reports, that the building of "China Daily News" was burnt down in consequence, it is alleged, by the correspondent of the "China Daily News" publishing American criticism of the Kuomintang."—Free Press Service.

SMALL-POX FATALITIES IN INDIA

LONDON, April 18.

A reply to a question in the House of Commons revealed that there were 233 cases of small-pox in Bombay City and 130 deaths between January 1st and February 16th. There were no official figures later than that, but it was reported that 368 died between January 1st and March 18th. 19,529 cases and 4,821 deaths occurred in the whole of British India between January 1st and February 16th and the rates were approximately the same as in 1928.—Reuter.

SMALL-POX CASES FROM STEAMERS

LONDON, April 18.

In the House of Commons replying to questions Mr. Neville Chamberlain announced that there had been 45 cases of small-pox from "Tuscania" of which seven had died. All contacts had been isolated or kept under supervision. Rigorous action to prevent the spread of the disease appeared to be effective and any risk of widespread outbreak had ended. It was not yet known whether small-pox had occurred on "Mashobra" which would be closely examined on arrival at Plymouth. Thirty-one passengers landed at Marseilles and it was not yet known whether there was the case of small-pox amongst them.

Mr. Penny, Government spokesman, stated that pending the conclusion of a permanent agreement between Italy and Greece arrangements had been made for the use of certain airports for a period of three months.—Reuter.

RAM NAVAMI IN DELHI

DELHI, April 19.

The Sri Ramnavami festival was celebrated here with all eclat. Thousands of people flocked to the Jamna. A grand procession carrying Sri Rama in a 'rath,' passed through the City last evening.—Free Press.

NEHRU CONSTITUTION, A FRIENDLY GESTURE

Viceroy's "Autocratic" Action Condemned

END RULE OF ORDINANCE

Dr. Besant on Need of Wresting Dominion Status

"The Nehru Report is the last offer of friendship, which India is making to Britain. If unfortunately Britain chooses to reject this Report which embodies the very least that India can demand, then it will be for Britain and not for India to take the next step towards friendship. For the last time India is making one more friendly gesture. It now remains for England to respond to it or not."

In these words, Dr. Besant once again on the eve of her departure to England, presented the Nehru Report and the scheme of the Swaraj Constitution embodied therein to the citizens of Bombay at an over-crowded public meeting held on Friday evening at the People's Jinnah Hall. The meeting was held under the auspices of the B. P. C. C. and Mr. Jamnadas Mehta presided. Dr. Besant's appearance in the meeting hall was a signal for a rousing ovation which the large audience gave her. It was a brilliant address, indeed, which Mrs. Besant delivered.

A SOURCE OF INSPIRATION.

In his opening speech, Mr. Jamnadas Mehta humorously remarked that Dr. Besant was more than twice his age but her energy was at least ten times greater than the energy he would ever hope to have. (Laughter). Her life, he said, was a source of inspiration to all who knew her. As President of the Independence League (Bombay) and as a member of the Congress, he welcomed Dr. Besant in Bombay.

Adverting to Nehru Report, Mr. Jamnadas Mehta characterised it as the event of the year. The Report had, no doubt, received attacks from friends and foes alike but despite all these attacks, he added, there remained much in the Report, which would command universal acceptance. (Applause). The Congress had adopted the Report and it was, therefore, the duty of every Congressman to support it by every possible means. The speaker paid a well merited tribute to Dr. Besant by calling her the pioneer in Constitution making. The Report, he observed, was only the culmination of her efforts in that line.

THE MOCK ASSEMBLY.

On rising to speak, Dr. Besant was once more greeted with a deafening applause. At the present moment in India, she began in her sonorous voice they were all standing as all of them must recognize in an exceedingly critical position in India's struggle for freedom. Quite lately they had been shown by evidence that even a small measure of self-government given to them in the establishment of the Legislative Assembly was also a mock thing.

"PUBLIC DANGER BILL".

They had just seen that a measure of such a vital public importance as the Public Safety Bill which she would like to style as Public Danger Bill had been twice rejected by the Assembly and yet over their heads it had been accepted by the Viceroy in the shape of an Ordinance. It had thus become the law of the land. It was, therefore, clear that unless they attained at least Dominion Status there was no safety in this country either to personal liberty or to the possession of property. It was necessary that they should all understand the position and make union of all progressive parties in the country in order that they might be able to effectively oppose the autocracy and

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PURDAH METHODS AT MEERUT

Bombay Youths to Concert Measures for Defence

TO-DAY'S MEETING AT MR. NARIMAN'S HOUSE

MEERUT, April 19.

Regarding remand proceedings in the alleged Conspiracy Case, it now transpires that all the accused were quietly brought to the Garden House, the residence of the General Officer Commanding, Meerut, and kept there confined till the District Magistrate motored over there and granted remand.

It is understood that the accused protested strongly against the procedure, and wanted their counsels to be present.

During the proceedings the place was guarded by police, and special instructions were given not to allow any outsider. Special care, it appears, was taken to keep this a secret, and everybody was taken unawares when the news was given out by the District Magistrate to Mr. Ankalesaria who filed the bail application for accused Mr. Jhabwalla.

Much resentment prevails concerning the procedure, and it is freely talked that the High Court will be moved. Col. O'Niel, Superintendent of the jail, is transferred and replaced by Major A. Rahman, lately principal, Agra Medical School.—Free Press.

MEERUT CASE DEFENCE

TO-DAY'S MEETING AT MR. NARIMAN'S HOUSE

A meeting of friends and sympathisers has been convened by the Bombay Youth League at Mr. K. F. Nariman's house, Madan House Hughes Road, to-day (Saturday) 3 p.m. to devise measures for the defence of the Meerut case and also to raise funds for the support of the families and dependents of the arrested Labour leaders. The following circular letter over the signature of Mr. K. F. Nariman has been issued:—

MR. NARIMAN'S LETTER.

In response to an appeal for funds from the Central Defence Committee for the Meerut trial of which Dr. Ansari is the President, it is arranged to call a meeting of sympathisers and friends at the house of Mr. K. F. Nariman Madan House (Opposite T. R. Pratt) Hughes Road on "Saturday the 20th instant at 3 p.m. it is our duty to make every effort for putting up a strong and proper defence particularly when the Government have added to their hardship by selecting an out of the way place for such an important trial. To avoid any misunderstanding it is necessary to state that, mere rendering of assistance for the defence need not be construed as either agreeing with their policy, or even sympathisers with their methods. It is therefore hoped that public spirited citizens will respond to this patriotic call and render every assistance and co-operation in the formation of a defence Committee for our city and Presidency.

All friends and sympathisers are, therefore, earnestly requested to attend.

K. F. NARIMAN,
Member Central Defence Committee.

EXPERTS TO WIND UP BUSINESS?

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Most Critical Situation In Reparation Talks

LONDON, April 18.

Paris.—The experts on Reparations met for two hours in the morning and three hours in the afternoon. The Germans were courteous, but adamant and refused another penning. Hence the deadlock. There will be a plenary meeting to-morrow when, if there is no further hope of agreement, the Committee will wind up. The failure of the Conference involves the continuance of the Dawes annuities which Germany declares she is unable fully to continue.—Reuter.

GERMANY TO ATTEND PLENARY SITTING

LONDON, April 19.

Paris.—The German delegation will attend the plenary sitting of the Reparations Committee.—Reuter.

CREDITORS' "NO" TO DEBTOR

'ALLIES" ATTITUDE ON SCHACT PROPOSALS

LONDON, April 19.

M. Schacht, in presenting the counter-proposal demanded as *quid pro quo* for yielding on the dual question of transfer and commercialisation either a reduction of the amount of annuity or political compensation, such as suppression of Danzig corridor or return to Germany of certain ex-German Colonies, and asserted that Germany's well-being had been affected by their loss. Representatives of the creditor powers unanimously decided that they were unabe to enter into such political discussions.—Reuter.

MOST CRITICAL SITUATION

LONDON, April 19.

Berlin.—News from Paris has caused consternation in official circles, but the gloom has been dispelled by the news that the Delegation will continue the negotiations. The situation is regarded as most critical, but it is believed that a way out can be found in the delegation's statement that M. Schacht is unable to increase the German payments on his own responsibility unless suggestions from the other side are offered, and it is thought that M. Schacht has a tentative proposals.—Reuter.

NO INCRERSE IN ANNUITIES

LONDON, April 18.

Paris.—It is officially stated that Germans have declined to increase the annuities of 1,650 million gold marks for 37 years and they, therefore, will not participate in further meetings of creditors.—Reuter.

Mr. Ghulam Mohiuddin Narmawala who has been elected Vice-President of the Ahmedabad Municipality.

Late Mr. Balakram, the newly appointed Judge who died of heart failure at Mahableshwar.

Mr. Madukar, an all-round athlete who is going to perform thrillings balancing feats on Sunday in the Royal Opera House.

DOWN WITH "MULLAISM"

MUSLIM YOUTHS AND BANEFUL SYSTEM

FIGHT AGAINST REACTIONARY PRIESTHOOD

CALCUTTA, April 18.

With a view to bring about a revolution in the Islamic Society against Mullaism, which they hold to be a baneful system, an informal meeting of some young Muslims of that view was held this evening in the Albert Hall with Mr. Abdul Khaliq as President, to find out ways and means by which the system of priesthood, as prevalent in Moslem society, could be abolished. A Provincial Committee was formed to frame the rules and regulations of a League to carry on an agitation against Mullahs preaching anti-Islamic and anti-progressive social legislation.—A. P.

MAHARASHTRA PROVINCIAL CONFERENCE

MR. VALLABHBHAI PATEL TO PRESIDE

BANDRA, April 19.

The Reception Committee of the Seventh Maharashtra Provincial Conference which is to be held on the 4th and 5th May next, have elected unanimously Sjt. Vallabhbhai Patel as the President of the Conference. Sjt. Vallabhbhai Patel has accepted the presidentship of the Conference. Preparations for the Conference are in full swing.—Free Press.

BEHAR AND ORISSA GOVERNORSHIP

HON. JAMES DAVID SIFTON TO ACT

PATNA, April 18.

Hon. James David Sifton, member of the Bihar and Orissa Executive Council, will assume charge of the office of Acting Governor of the province on the forenoon of April 26th. At the same time Mr. J. T. Whitty takes over charge of the office of the member of the Executive Council vacated by Mr. Sifton.—A. P.

NAWAB ALI CHAUDHURY

LARGE CROWD PAYS LAST RESPECT

DARJEELING, April 18.

The remains of Nawab Nawab Ali Choudhury were sent to-day by special train for the funeral at Dhanbari. The coffin was followed by a procession, consisting of representatives of the Bengal Government, Sir Abdul Karim Ghuznavi and others. There was a large crowd of people of all classes at the railway station to pay its respects to the memory of the Nawab.—A. P.

CO-OPERATION IN BEHAR

GOVT. TO APPOINT COMMITTEE

PATNA, April 18.

His Excellency the Governor and Lady Stephenson returned from Puri last evening.

It is understood that the Government have decided to appoint a Committee to advise them on certain outstanding questions of importance which have arisen in connection with the co-operative movement in the Province. The personnel of the Committee is under consideration.—A. P.

POLICE OFFICER SUSPENDED

SEQUEL TO CLASH WITH HINDU MISSION

CALCUTTA, April 18.

In connection with the clash between some members of the Hindu Mission and some police constables on Sunday morning, the Deputy Commissioner of North District has suspended the officer in charge of Sukhea Street Thana and nine constables. The members of the Mission arrested for alleged rioting have been discharged.—A. P.

GAZETTE OF INDIA

SIMLA, April 18.

The Gazette of India (Army Department) publishes the following:—

Colonel F. E. W. Venning has been granted the temporary rank of Brigadier.

Brevet Colonel L. P. Collins has been appointed assistant Adjutant General.

Mr. F. S. Grimston is appointed Director of Ordnance Factories and Manufacture, M. G. S. Branch, Army Headquarters, vice Col. G. C. Surrock, vacated.

Mr. C. W. Lloyd-Jones is appointed Honorary Colonel, Hyderabad Rifles.—A. P.

"A GOT UP CASE"

MAGISTRATE'S STRICTURES

MR. AKBAR ALI PEERBHOY'S COMPLAINT DISMISSED

Severe strictures were passed by Mr. D. N. D. Khandalawalla, Presidency Magistrate, Third Court, on Friday in dismissing the complaint filed by Mr. Akbarali Abdulhusein Adamji Peerbhoy, a grandson of the late Sir Adamji Peerbhoy, charging Alibboy Abdulalli Hathiari, Gulamhussein Hasanalli Adamji and Alibhoy Adamji Peerbhoy, the son-in-law, grandson and son, respectively of the same Knight with causing grievous hurt by stabbing him with a knife.

Taking a serious view of the case the Magistrate ordered the complainant to pay a fine of Rs. 50 to each of the accused by way of compensation or in default to suffer two weeks' simple imprisonment in each case.

His Worship in his judgment observed: "I have carefully considered all the evidence adduced by the prosecution and I have no hesitation in saying that this case has been got up by the complainant who has made his servant give false evidence with a view to cause trouble and harassment to the accused. He appears to me to be an unscrupulous man who would not hesitate to make reckless allegations against anybody to serve his own purpose I am of opinion that the injury is self-inflicted.

The complainant entered into a bond undertaking to pay the amount of fine.

COMPLAINANT'S CASE.

The complainant's case was that in August last he was living in a flat on the fourth floor of Princess Building opposite the J. J. Hospital. On the 4th August at about 10-30 p.m. he went to bed. At about 3 a.m. his servant woke him and said that some visitors had come to see him. In order to know who they were, complainant got up and went into the adjoining room the door of which was open, when he saw the first accused standing just outside the door. The second accused was by his side and immediately he heard a voice which he recognised to be that of the third accused saying "What are you looking at, finish him". Upon this the first accused stabbed him with the result that he felt giddy and that as soon as he came to his sense he told his servant to inform his sister and the police. Complainant subsequently went to the J. J. Hospital at 4-10 a.m. the next day after his wound has been dressed. He believed the object of the accused in committing the assault was to prevent him from attending the appeal court at 11-30 a.m. the next day.

A GOT UP CASE.

In discussing the evidence His Worship observed that the only witness who could testify to the alleged assault was Sarafuddin the servant of the complainant, who said that he left the complainant's service on September 1, as he feared he too would be assaulted. "I have carefully considered the evidence adduced by the prosecution" continued His Worship and I have no hesitation in saying that the case has been got up by the complainant who has made his servant give false evidence with a view to cause trouble and harassment to the accused.

"AN UNSCRUPULOUS MAN".

The Magistrate proceeding remarked: "The complainant is a man without occupation. He has no definite source of income and what little he used to receive by way of rent from certain immovable property is now stopped.....He has got himself involved by his own conduct in several civil and criminal cases. Not only was the complainant offensive in the witness-box but made several statements which are unworthy of credit. He appears to me to be an unscrupulous man who would not hesitate to make reckless allegations against anybody to serve his own purpose. I am of opinion that the injury is self-inflicted."

POLICE DESERVE CREDIT.

The Magistrate continued:

"In this case the police deserve credit for making a thorough investigation which has brought to light all the true facts relating to the absence of the first accused from Bombay from the night of July 29 and his presence at Lathi on the day on which he is alleged to have committed the assault. I am satisfied that he was not in Bombay on August 5 and the complainant has brought a false charge against him to cause hardship and humiliation on him." In their statements the second and third accused say that they know nothing about the alleged assault and are innocent. In view of the state of the evidence before me I am convinced that the accused are falsely charged. Accordingly I order all of them to be disharged."

COMPENSATION ORDERED.

The complainant was then called by the Court into the witness-box. He was told that he had filed a false complaint with the object of causing trouble and humiliation to the accused. They had to engage the services of two counsel and one eminent pleader of this court. And as a result of the false information given by him to the police all the accused were arrested.

His Worship ordered the complainant under Section 553 of the Criminal Procedure Code to pay to each of the accused Rs. 50 by way of compensation as they had to undergo a great deal of trouble and expense to defend themself. The amount should be recovered as a fine and in default of payment the complainant in each instance should undergo simple imprisonment for two weeks.

WILL PRINCES RISE TO OCCASION?

MR. KELKAR AND THE STATES INQUIRY REPORT

POONA, April 18.

Mr. N. C. Kelkar in an intrview to the Free Press of India regarding the recommendations of the Butler Committee said:—

The net result of the Butler Committee's report seems to be that the Princes have got half the value they expected for the whole expense. They have won on the point of not to be handed over to the Governor-General-in-Council and the legislature. But they have lost on the point of the Paramount Government of India to intervene in the affairs. I doubt however whether the Princes have really gained much after all, because what they really were up against was the right of intervention claimed by the Imperial Government and so brutally expressed by Lord Reading 'visa vis' the Nizam.

"After all the Viceroy and the Governor-General are only two faces of the same Janus. That is to say, identical Imperial power and what is there to choose between Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde, when one of them, whatever his name, can intervene and put a stop to their autocratic mal-administrations and I congratulate the Indian State subjects on this much value which they have got without any expenditure.

WILL THE PRINCES RISE TO THE OCCASION?

"As regards the jurisdiction of the Government of India and the legislature on the affairs of Indian States whoever thought, even before, that control was claimed for these two even in small details of State administration. It is only when mal-administration or repression by Indian State rulers becomes a positive nuisance that intervention of Imperial Government is invoked by the subjects or public opinion in British territory. I have always stood for Indian States' rulers being allowed to possess and enjoy all that they have got at present by way of wealth, honour, dignity, civil and political power and modified independence from the British Government provided however hey on their accord rise to the occasion and take the initiative in putting a restraint on their own power for evil and evince some regard for their subjects' rights as human beings and citizens.

"I do still hope that the Indian Princes and rulers of Indian States will show themselves a little more capable of self-restraint and self-sacrifice, so that by putting their rule on a high or lovel of impersonality and devoting larger measure of their revenue to improvement of their subjects, they will make all intervention by the Imperial Government absolutely unnecessary.

"In one word, my belief is that the fate of fortune of Indian State rulers is in their own hands. Let no false ideas be entertained about the supposed spitefulness of democracy or their spirit of jealousy. The stunt of the Communism, I am absolutely sure, shall not touch or affect the sane ways of thinking both about the usefulness of Capitalism or usefulness of Indian States as distinguished from antiquated autocracy.—Free Press.

NADIR KHAN'S LETTER TO BACHA

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Assurance of Full and Honorable Pardon

PESHAWAR, April 18.

The text of a letter adressed by General Nadir Khan to Ghazi Habibullah and which has been hbroadcast in Kabul is now available.

It reads:

My dear brother Habibullah Khan,

Your bravery is really appreciated by me, and highest praise is due to your gallant accomplishments. My gratitude is especially due to you for sincere goodwill which you entertain towards me. The object of this letter is to tell you that for the sake of Islam, the welfare of my nation and of my country I am perfectly prepared to sacrifice my own life and the lives of my brother and the members of my family. You can rest assured that no consideration of my safety would prevent me from serving Islam. Like myself you too have served your country and the thoughts of a servant must wholly be occupied as to how best he can do service.

NO REVENGE.

It is true that forces under you have caused great loss of national treasure and you may, therefore, be afraid that the Royal family will seek to destroy you and the people of Kohidaman, in revenge for their acts. But this is not true as you will see on reflection.

The whole of Afghanistan is like one body, if Kohidaman were to be destroyed it would mean the destruction of a member of that body and to destroy it would not be the part of a wise man. Moreover you yourself know that if Afghanistan is destroyed you are destroyed with it. So it behoves both you and the Royal family to avoid any action which will involve disaster to the country of life or property.

I therefore, assure you and my other brethern of the Northern Province that full and honourable pardon will be granted to you and your followers if either Amanullah or any other member of the Royal family resumes the throne. You are, however, responsible for the safe custody of the State Treasury and arms. I have felt it my duty as one Muslim brother to another to write to you these few lines. The decision rests with you.

Sd. Muhammad Nadir."—A. P.

SEVERE FIGHTING IN SHEIKHABAD

PESHAWAR, April 18.

Heavy fighting is reported to have taken place on the 16th in Sheikhabad valley between Wardans and Bacha Saqao's troops. A number of wounded men have arrived in Kabul hospitals. Wardarki women and children who were brought to Kabul as prisoners have been released by order of Bacha Saqao and have been sent back to their homes. Up to the 13th instant Amanullahis troops were reported to have been at Nani.

Habibullah had then concentrated fairly large forces at Ghazni. He has been joined by the Tajiks and Andar Ghalzais of that district.—A. P.

MAGISTRATE WARNS SHAMDASANI

"Will You Leave Court or Shall I Call Police Officer?"

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Once again Mr. P. D. Shamdasani figured in a police court scene which culminated in his being warned by the Magistrate in the following terms: "Mr. Shamdasani will you leave the Court or shall I ask the Police Officer to take you out."

The above remarks were made by Mr. D. N. D. Khandalawalla, Presidency Magistrate, Third Court, while hearing a case in which Mr. Shamdasani charged Sir Hugh Cocke of Messrs. A. F. Ferguson and Co., Chartered Accountants, under the Indian Companies' Act challenging the correctness of a balance-sheet of the Central Bank of India of which the accused's firm are auditors.

The accused applied for exemption from attending the Court during the hearings of the case on the grounds that continuous professional work and the additional duties he had to discharge last year as President of the Bombay Chamber of Commerce and member of the Legislative Assembly had been a strain on him and considerations of health required that he should be away from India for some time. He proposed to leave for England on April 20 and asked the Court's permission to do so.

Mr. Shamdasani opposed this application "The fact that the applicant is a new Knight of Bombay should not at all weigh with your Worship in considering this application", he said. "He may be a Knight outside, but he is an accused person in the Court."

Mr. Shamdasani continued: "A grave charge is hanging over the head of the accused and it is in his own interest that he should leave India acquitted and not keep the sword of Damocles hanging over his head."

The Magistrate asked Mr. Shamdasani as to what were his grounds for opposing the application.

Mr. Shamdasani said it was a warrant case and the punishment for the offence in respect of the balance-sheet which had already been proved false and which the accused firm had certified as correct under Section 288 of the Indian Companies' Act "imprisonment of either description for a term which may extend to three years and shall also be liable to a fine" and as the accused in his affidavit read out in the Court had been discreetly silent as to whether he intended to return to India and if so when, it was not fair to the prosecution that the accused charged with such a grave offence should be allowed to go out of the jurisdiction of the Court.

The Magisrate observed that he could not ignore the fact that other accused in a previous case in respect of a similar offence were sentenced to only one day's simple imprisonment and fine. His Worship accordingly passed an order granting the application. Mr. Velinkar, counsel for accused, thereupon left the Court.

Mr. Shamdasani immediately rose and addressing the Court said: "I have to make an application, your Worship, arising out of the present order."

The Court: You may make the application to-morrow.

Mr. Shamdasani: Then it will be an exparte application.

The Court: You can give the other side notice.

The Magistrate then called out the next case, but Mr. Shamdasani was addressing the Court asking for a copy of the Magistrate's order to move the High Court for revision.

As Mr. Shamdasani persisted in addressing the Court he had to be warned and silenced by the order stated above.

APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER.

Later Mr. Shamdasani made an application before the Chief Presidency Magistrate for the transfer of the case from the court of Mr. D. N. D. Khandalawalla to the chief court. He stated that he had two grounds for making the application and that he apprehended there would no fair and impartial trial as the learned Magistrate "was always ready and willing to meet with the wishes of the accused". Further he had at the very outset object to his being tried in the court as Mr. Khandalawalla was a shareholder of the Bank where the accused were auditors.

His Worship ordered notice to be issued to the other side and also called for a report from the Magistrate of the Third Court.

"ANTI-SEPTIC" SILVER JUBILEE NUMBER

MADRAS, April 19.

Numerous messages of congratulation from eminent doctors all over the world are published in the Silver Jubilee Number of the 'Anti-septic' a monthly medical journal conducted by the Honourable U. Rama Rao. The Silver Jubilee Number contains special articles on various important medical subjects and is profusely illustrated. The life-sketches of the late Dr. T. M. Nair and the Honourable Dr. U. Rama Rao, the founders of the 'Anti-septic', are also published.—Free Press.

"WHAT CAN'T BE ENDED SHOULD BE MENDED"

Mysore Dewan on the Rigours of Caste System

BANGALORE, April 19.

"It seems impossible to abolish or even perhaps to relax to any great extent the rigours of the caste system. The next best thing to do is to improve matters as far as possible. What cannot be ended should at least be mended"—thus remarked Mr. Mirza Mahomed Ismail, the Dewan of Mysore, in declaring open to-day the first Mysore Kuruhina Setty Conference organised by Mrs. Sakamma and other members of this weaving class at the Theatre Majestic.

"In agreeing to open this Conference I hope I shall not be taken to be unnecessarily encouraging communal or sectional organisations in the State which result in the accentuation of caste and communal differences, observed the Dewan at the outset. You wish to improve your community educationally and socially. In doing this you are equipping it as a worthy part of a bigger organisation. Your objects, thus, are quite unexceptionable.

"There need really be no antagonism, gentlemen, between your duty to your community and your duty to the country. We have to recognise the fact that the people of this country, and in particular the Hindus, are divided into innumerable communities. India need not despair of attaining political democracy some day, but," he added, "social or religious democracy, if I may so term it, she is not, I fear, destined to enjoy within any measurable distance of time."

THE SUDDHI MOVEMENT.

With regard to the Suddhi and other proselytising movements by religious enthusiasts among Hindus the Dewan drew attention to the observations made by Mr. Ramanand Chatterji in the course of his presidential address at the All-India Hindu Mahasabha held at Surat a short time ago and said: "I personally agree with much that Mr. Chatterji had said on that occasion and I fail to see why any reasonable being Mussalman or Christian should have any quarrel with the Hindus for doing what they themselves have been doing for centuries past so long as it is done in an unoffensive manner. It is unnecessary for me to make a more detailed reference to the address of Mr. Chatterji on this occasion; and if I refer to it at all I do so with the sole object of expressing my sincere sympathy with the Hindu point of view as stated by him and of wishing my Hindu fellow countrymen all possible success in the efforts they are making to strengthen their social and political structure and to preserve their great heritage." (Hear, hear and applause).

POLITICAL CEMENT PATRIOTISM.

Speaking of the many Hindu communal associations started in recent years Mr. Chatterji had remarked that they all tried to change the various Hindu bodies into compact bricks for the Indian National edifice, instead of allowing them to remain like loose dust or shapeless mud not fit to build palace with. The Dewan here added that the finest and firmest bricks were as useless as sand to the builder unless he could rely on that which bound them together. "The cement of political structure is patriotism", he maintained, "and if it is sandy or watery then the building will warp and fall."

"Patriotism's dilution is, according to him, the cherishing of differences; its very sustenance is goodwill towards those who are different. We shall not be either strong or progressive as a nation", he opined, "until in seeking national prosperity we positively seek the prosperity of communities not ours, and find in it an incentive rather than a provocation," observed the Dewan in expressing his hope that it would be the earnest endeavour of this communal conference to instil into the mind of their youth the spirit of large hearted patriotism.

HEREDITARY OCCUPATION AND EDUCATION.

Before concluding the Dewan referred to the educational development of children of the community, and said: "You are fortunately an industrial community. Continue to be one in spite of the education which you may give your boys. I say "in spite" because somehow our education has a tendency to wean our boys away from their hereditary occupations. Education will prove a blessing to you "only if it enables your young men to do the work their fathers and forefathers have been doing' better than they did; and it will prove a serious handicap if it developes in them a distaste for a similar life. By all means let some of your men enter Government service, but let that not be the sole ambition of every one entering a school or college. (Continued applause and cheers).—A. P.

NEHRU REPORT A FRIENDLY GESTURE

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win for India the very least which they were demanding i.e. Dominion Status. Unless British Parliament passed a law giving India what she demanded, India would become very difficult to govern. (Cries of hear, hear). It was not difficult for India to create a hundred "Bardolis" if Indians chose to do so.

INDIA'S FRIENDLY GESTURE TO BRITAIN.

Coming to the Nehru Report, Dr. Besant observed that in that Report there was a great friendly gesture made by India. They must not deal with the Report in a summary fashion. In judging that Report they must remember that it was a compromise between the views of a number of parties. It was a greatest common measure of agreement that could be constructed. No single party was thoroughly agreed on every one of the proposals contained in the Report. Speaking for herself she reiterated her statement that she stood by the Report whether she agreed with every part of it, or not.

Mrs. Besant then referred to the ensuing General Elections in England. In view of these elections, she said, it was necessary that all progressive parties in India should unite on the demand of self-government for India. The expression of that demand must not be delayed even for a moment.

Proceeding, Dr. Besant explained to what wide powers were being enjoyed by the self-governing Dominions like Canada and Australia. The Dominion Status, she pointed out, enabled every Dominion to remain, if it so desired, in alliance with Britain or to discard that alliance if it found that that alliance was not necessary for the growth of its people. It had been already declared by the Dominions of Great Britain that they would not take part in any future war declared by Britain unless their consent had been obtained before the declaration of war. Dominions formed the federation of Commonwealths grouped together by English Crown.

A FREE COUNTRY IN HER OWN TERRITORY.

If an Act of British Parliament would be based on the Nehru Constitution, India would become a free country in her own territory. She would, in that event, be in a position to make her own laws, levy her taxes and keep friendly relations with foreign powers. To all intents and purposes she would become an independent nation recognizing the British Crown as a link rather than as an authority.

Dr. Besant then dwelt at some length on the true import of the allegiance of the people of India to the Crown. Allegiance, she observed, was a mere contract between the Crown and this nation. If either party broke that contract, the other party was not legally bound to keep it. It could, therefore, be seen that allegiance was not unconditional. India owed allegiance to the Crown only so long as the Crown exercised its share of the contract. absolute monarchy was more of a creation of foreigners than a part of constitutional history of India. The Nehru constitution embodied the most essential fundamental rights of the people of India, which no King would touch. Dr. Besant incidentally recalled an occasion in the reign of King Edward VII when she had asked a very eminent Conservative leader who was more than once the Prime Minister of England as to what would be the position if the Kink sided with the House of Lords against Commons. "The King will have to set his throne upon it", was the cool reply which that leader had given.

Dr. Besant was very explict in her observations on the promulgation of Ordinance by the Viceroy. Proceeding, she said they had suddenly found the Viceroy of India doing a sort of a thing which the King would never have done.

END RULE BY ORDINANCE.

By his autocratic powers the Viceroy had passed what India's Parliament had rejected. (Cries of shame). This state of affairs would have become impossible if India was enjoying Dominion Status In the Nehru Report, the speaker went on to say, serupulous care was taken while framing the fundamental rights of citizens. If these rights were obtained by India, then it would be impossible for anybody to introduce a measure like the Public Safety Bill. There would then be no Ordinances and no emergency measures. There would be no special courts to try the political prisoners but there would be ordinary courts and ordinary ways of dealing out justice.

DOWN WITH CIVILIAN JUDGES

Dr. Besant then referred to the 31 Labour leaders who were to be tried at Meerut. She maintained that no Civilian should be allowed to act as judge in a court of law. (Loud cheers). However impartial that judge might try to be, it was impossible for a man who was accustomed to the exercise of autocratic powers, to get that impartiality of line which was absolutely essential for the judge of a court of law. That was the only reason why the Congress had been all along fighting for the separation of Judicial from the Executive. Legislative, Judicial and Executive ought to be independent of each other. In any constitution which India would accept these three departments must be made independent.

Again, in the Nehru Constitution great care was shown for manual workers. Securing of living wages for every worker, protection of motherland, welfare of children, protection of workers from economic consequences formed the basis of various concrete proposals made in the Constitution.

The Nehru Report, continued Mrs. Besant, offered the only possible and the best solution of the national problems that confronted them. She did not pretend to believe for a moment that the Report was perfect but she could only say that they would never have a perfect report. It was not a kind of sacred Bible. The report had to be changed in future by the people of India whenever any change was necessary. The greatest merit of the report was that it conduced to make India free. It gave India a right to have voice in her own as well as foreign affairs. It put them on a basis of equality with Britain.

Quoting Dr. Sunderland, Mrs. Besant said it was a crime that one nation should dominate another nation by force of arms. Crime was more on the side of England because she was armed while India was disarmed. (Cries of shame). India had to shake off her apathy if she wanted to regain her proper place in the comity of nations.

HER FUTURE PROGRAMME.

Talking of her programme of work in the near future, Dr. Besant said she was going to England to work in the election campaign. What was the good of Labour Party coming into power, she asked, unless that Party gave Dominion Status to India which they had promised? She hoped that Labour Party would be in a position after the elections to give a concrete shape to their oft-repeated promise. In conclusion, Dr. Besant made a fervent appeal to Indian women to rise to the occasion and take their rightful place in the struggle for freedom. Women could do what even men could not or would not.

Mr. Jamnadas Mehta moved a vote of thanks for Dr. Besant for her most illuminating exposition of the Nehru Report. On behalf of the citizens of Bombay and the B.P.C.C., he wished her bon voyage and success in the mission which she had undertaken. Personnor was he hopeful that Party nally he said he had no faith in the pledges given by the Labour Party; nor was he hopeful that party would be returned to power. As regards the allegiance of Indian subjects to British Crown, he averred that the history of the British rule in India was a constant breach of the contract on the part of Britain and there was, therefore, no obligation on the part of Indians to owe any obligation to the British Crown.

IN THE WAKE OF CALCUTTA BONFIRE

25 YOUTHS CHARGED WITH RIOTING

JUDGMENT RESERVED

CALCUTTT, April 18.

The hearing was concluded and judgmenf was reserved by the Chief Presidency Magistrate in the case in which 25 youths were charged with alleged rioting and assaulting the police while on duty in Shraddhanand Park on March 4th, when Mahatma Gandhi conducted the bonfire.

The defence argued the present case should not be treated as an ordinary case of assaulting policemen, because it had gained some political importance, being an offshoot of the decision of Mahatma Gandhi in taking full responsibilities for burning cloth at the meeting inspite of the warning of the Police Commissioner. To vindicate their position, the police launched this prosecution to show that Mahatma's insistence on burning foreign cloth led to an unfortunate situation. The defence contended that the ugly situation would not have arisen at all if the police had not interferred in the way they did. The real object of the prosecution was to stop this kind of political demonstration. The test of an identification parade was a farce as no outsiders were mixed with the accused. The accused should therefore be acquitted.

The public prosecutor argued there was abundant evidence to connect the accused with the offence with which they were charged.—Free Press.

POLICE RAID HOUSES IN COMILLA

PRESIDENT OF WORKERS AND PEASANTS' PARTY ARRESTED

COMILLA, April 18.

The house of Mr. Basanta Kumar Mazumdar was searched early morning to-day, but nothing incriminating was found.

Mr. Muklessur Rahaman, Member, District Board, and Congress worker and also President, Tipperah Ryot and Peasants' Association was arrested and released on a bail for Rs. 5,000, charges being unknown.—Free Press.

"CHRISTIANITY, THE ONLY SALVATION FOR INDIA"

LORD MESTON'S LECTURE BEFORE LONDON AUDIENCE

LONDON, April 19.

Lord Meston in a lecture on the "Missionary Approach to India" disputed the dictum that educated Indians were agnostics. Some educated Indians no doubt paraded their agnosticism but Lord Meston took view it was but temporary. He believed Christianity was the only solution for the Indian problem but felt considerably handicapped in avowing his faith when he witnessed dissensions among Christian denominations and great differences between Christian precept and Christian practice.—Free Press Beam Service.

LAW STUDENTS CLASH WITH POLICE

MADRID, April 19.

Law students of Barcelona have collided with the police and several of them have in consequence been arrested. The trouble is spreading to Granada and Seville Universities.—Free Press Beam Service.

BHIL SEVA MANDAL

SIXTH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

DOHAD, April 19.

The sixth anniversary of the Bhil Seva Mandal came off on the 17th April, Shree Ram Navami day, when the opening ceremony of Shree Ram Temple of Jhalad in the Bhil Tilodi ashram was performed by Shrimad Shankaracharya, Dr. Kurtkoti of Shri Karvir Pith. Thousands of Bhils and numbers of other communities from far and near joined the huge procession which was taken out in the morning.

After the flag hoisting ceremony of Ram Mandir by Dr. Kurtkoti Bhil boys went through a programme of dialogues and music followed by demonstration of physical exercises.

Shrimad Shankaracharya then delivered his presidential speech urging every one to help in the uplift of the Bhils who were a neglected community.

Late in the evening a cinema film depicting the evil results of drink was shown. The annual report of mandal states that 200 boys and girls are studying in seven ashrams and 225 boys are studying in three day schools conducted by the Mandal, the total annual expenditure of the mandal being over Rs. 30,000.—A. P.

MR. GOSWAMI ON VICEROY'S ORDINANCE

PRESIDENT PATEL'S ACHIEVEMENTS

CALCUTTA, April 19.

In an exclusive interview to the "Forward", Mr. T. C. Goswami, M.L.A., criticised the Viceroy for promulgating the new Ordinance in supercession of the ruling of President Patel, disallowing the discussion of the Public Safety Bill during the pendency of the Meerut trial. Mr. Goswami fails to see how the Viceroy could consistently hold that a fair debate could take place on Public Safety Bill, when only a few days before, His Excellency prevented discussion of the adjournment motion of Pandit Motilal on the plea that such discussion relating to matters subjudice would be against public interest.

OUTCRY BY OFFICIAL BLOCK.

Mr. Goswami has been astonished to notice the unseemly outcry raised by the official Block whenever the President's ruling on any important point goes against them. In a similar situation non-official members have on the whole behaved more decently and showed better regard for prestige and dignity of the Chair, when during Sir Frederick White's regime rulings went contrary to the considered judgment of opposition. He is of opinion that the claim of Mr. Crerar about the Government's unfettered right to regulate official business cannot be supported by Standing Orders and legislative rules.

PRESIDENT'S ACHIEVEMENTS.

In reviewing the achievements of the President Mr. Goswami acclaims him as "architect of a freedom for which history would be grateful to him." By his study independence and refusal to be coerced into submission by veiled official threats, the President has rescued the present Assembly from the position of a mock-Parliament. Mr. Goswami is a bit amused to see a fuss being made about the "tainted" money from Russia so far as India is concerned; while, a band of enterprising Englishmen have already reached Moscow to negotiate Trade relations with Russia, which would mean an inflow of filthy Russian lucre. Despite threats held out by the Viceroy about the amendment of Rules and Standing Orders. Mr. Goswami is of opinion that it will not be quite easy to draft such amendments without bringing contradictory provisions and making the whole thing ridiculous. Whatever the Government may seek to do now, the chair has been vindicated and that is no inconsiderable gain to country.—Free Press.

EARNINGS OF STATE-OWNED RAILWAY

SIMLA, April 17.

The total approximate gross earnings of all State-owned railways for the period ending 31st March 1929 amount to Rs. 256 lakhs, or 3 lakhs less than the figures for the last week and Rs. 28 lakhs less than the figures for the corresponding period of the previous year.—A. P.

THE WEATHER

POONA, April 19.

Yesterday low pressure area over East United Provinces, has disappeared after causing nearly general rain associated with thunder or hail storms in Bengal and a few falls in Assam.

A western disturbance has given local rain along the frontier A few thunder showers are also reported from south of the Peninsula.

The chief amounts of rainfall are.—Burdwan, and Mymensingh three quarters of an inch each; Barisal and Calcutta a half; Cherrapunji, Chittagongs, Narayangank, Jessore, and Bogra a quarter; Cherat three quarters; Quetta and Fort Sandeman a quarter and Mercara and Bangalore a half.

Forecast.—Decrease in Bengal and extension along the Punjab, Kumaon Hills, in Assam and into North Burma.—A. P.

RAJPAL MURDER CASE

DOCTOR'S EVIDENCE

A DOZEN WOUNDS ON DECEASED'S BODY

LAHORE, April 19.

Mr. Lewis, Additional District Magistrate, resumed the hearing of Rajpal murder case. The Deputy Superintendent of Police represented the Crown and accused were defended by Khawja Ferozeud[illegible] and others.

Mr. K. H. Ferozeuddin at the outset intimated to the Court that he had no intention of making an application for transfer of the case and therefore he submitted that case be proceeded with. He also informed the court that he would not cross-examine witnesses at present.

I HAVE ONLY AVENGED "RANGILA RASUL."

Dewan Wazir Chand of Gujranwala, a witness stated that on April 7 at about 2 p.m. he was sitting in the office of Guru Ghantal near by when all on a sudden he heard cries of "pakro mar gya". The office where he was sitting was just on the roof of Mahasha Rajpal's shop. He directly came down and ran after the accused, but as he reached near he saw one bare headed man bringing with him the accused who on being questioned by the witness said "Behold Muslims, I have stolen nothing. I have simply avenged "Rangila Rasul."

The accused was taken to Rajpal's shop.

The witness identified the accused. He did not enter the shop of the deceased but was informed that knife was lying inside and deceased was murdered. He went to Lohari Gate and gave information of the murder to the police.

DOZEN WOUNDS ON RAJPAL'S BODY.

Dr. Darcy, Assistant Civil Surgeon, who held the "post mortem" examination was then examined. He gave a detailed account of injuries and wounds on the dead body of Rajpal numbering about a dozen. Wounds were on fingers, head chest and [illegible]. There were injuries on the heart also and the diaphragm was also torn in the centre. The wound on the left side of the chest was by 1-1/2 inches by 1-1/4 inches and its depth was seven and half inches. The fourth rib was cut across. There was a serious wound on the left lung. The Doctor was of opinion that the death was due to the wound on his heart. This was the result of an injury of a pointed weapon such as knife. He saw the knife which was sent him the following morning. Injuries, he stated, could have been caused by that knife. The knife was examined by the witness, sealed into a parcel and made over to the police. The witness stated to have examined the accused on the afternoon of 7th April at about 12-15 p.m.

Proceedings of the case were then adjourned till 24th inst. when the accused's statement and remaining prosecution evidence would be recorded.—Free Press.

Bhuj, April 18.—Sheth Nensey Teipal, president-elect, First Lohana Yuvak Sammelan arrived here to-day and was given a rousing reception. He was taken in a procession through the streets of Bhuj amid scenes of great enthusiasm.—A. P.

Bombay, April 19.—Mr. R. H. Parker (of the Bombay Telephone Company Limited) has, under the prescribed regulations, been elected to represent the Bombay Chamber of Commerce on the Bombay Improvements Committee.—A. P.

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Broach	4,646	165,655
Coompta & Dharwar	2,145	36,431
Westerns-Northerns	1,148	20,263
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Tinnevelly & Cambodia		10,737
Persian	21	1,546
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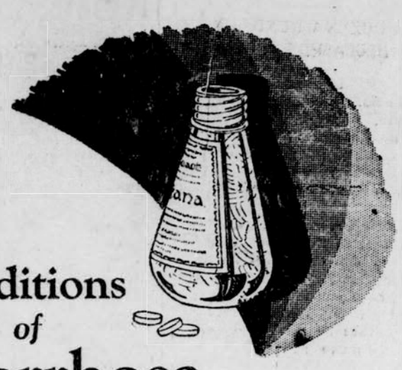

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AN INSULTING APOLOGY FOR MUSLIMS

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a big stick but with a bag full of post obits which, when he encountered opposition, he exposed on the table." He made this important discovery in connection with his clumsy effort to apologise for the treatment which the Turks received inspite of British pledges. He knows nothing or pretends to know nothing about the secret treaties, now proposed partition of Turkey. What he knows is that the Americans were the real mischief-makers and Lloyd George supported them. He, perhaps, doesn't know that Lloyd George was backed by almost the whole combined strength of the Liberals and the Tories. Is it any wonder that such a man, while expressing satisfaction at the final settlement of the Turkish problem, should have nothing to say about Muslim reaction to the present condition in Egypt, Iraq and Palestine?

ORIGINAL SOLUTION.

But to come to the Muslims and to Indian problem, he has devoted the opening chapters and another called "The Statistical Side", (of course, he has no knowledge of the Science of Statistics) to prove that the Muslims are not in a minority. Not only that. He has actually proved to his entire satisfaction that the Hindus are *not* in majority. After this, there is nothing more natural than to demand equal representation with the Hindus in every thing. This, incidentally, is his solution of the Indian Problem for which he has inflicted this worthless book. It is, of course, accompanied by a desire for continued British domination. As he himself says: "Apart from the grand underlying principle that whatever concessions may be made to the Hindus, must be accompanied by equivalent to the Muslims, so that the balance between them shall not be adversely disturbed, there is no immediate desire for precipitate action in regard to constitutional evolution in India." This is not surprising.

PROVOCATIVE RROPAGANDA.

The following condemnation of the Khilafatists is an eloquent explanation of the writer: "In their aroused religious zeal and sympathy they forgot that they were British subjects; and that they had a duty to perform as such that could not be repudiated even for the sake of a common religious cause." What a peculiar interpretation of Islam! At another place he says: "Our fundamental principles repose on authority and order." It seems that according to the author, Democracy and Brotherhood find no place in the foundations of Islam. Let me share with the reader one more instance of his knowledge of Islamic History. He believes that Mohurram is a festival of "processions of eager and rejoicing Muslims."

I have already said the Hindu is as bad according to him as the Communist is according to the London "Daily Mail" or the "Times of India". His sweeping attacks on the Hindu race and individuals, both dead and living, may not constitute a series of technical libels but they are in such extreme bad taste and so wild that I, as a Muslim, am ashamed of them. The British Press and the Viceroy have been lecturing Indians on the dangers of provocative speeches and propaganda. Will any one of them, I wonder, study this book carefully?

To Muslims, whether Nationalist, Khilafatist or Muslim Leaguer, reading this book, is like entering a chamber of horrors, unfortunately constructed by a co-religionist.

THROUGH BRITISH EYES

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view" is in no way elated with the peaceful termination of the work of the Simon Troupe in this country. It speaks out the plain truth when it states:—

"In the course of their extensive wanderings, the members of the Parliamentary Commission will, doubtless, have had some opportunity of familiarizing themselves with conditions at present characterising the various local Administrations of British India; but we may fear that those sections of Indian opinion which have been represented before them, are neither as numerous nor as typical as the circumstances of the inquiry would seem to postulate. Advices from India show that the boycott of the Commission has been very largely effective, in this degree at least. *It has convinced the most important sections of Indian political opinion that little is to be hoped or to be feared from Great Britain so far as political advancement of British India is concerned.*"

The recognition of the fact by the British themselves that India is ready to shoulder herself the work of wresting Swaraj and the admission that the Simon Commission has received most negligible support, coupled with the news that I have just gathered that Sir Sankaran Nair is reported to have told a Simon Co-operator in Bombay that the Boycott "is a perfect success," (and that he terribly felt the odium of being led like a "purdah women" at this age), goes far to show that the Simon Commission is damned and the report it will produce, will be treated with scorn by every Indian political section, worth the name.

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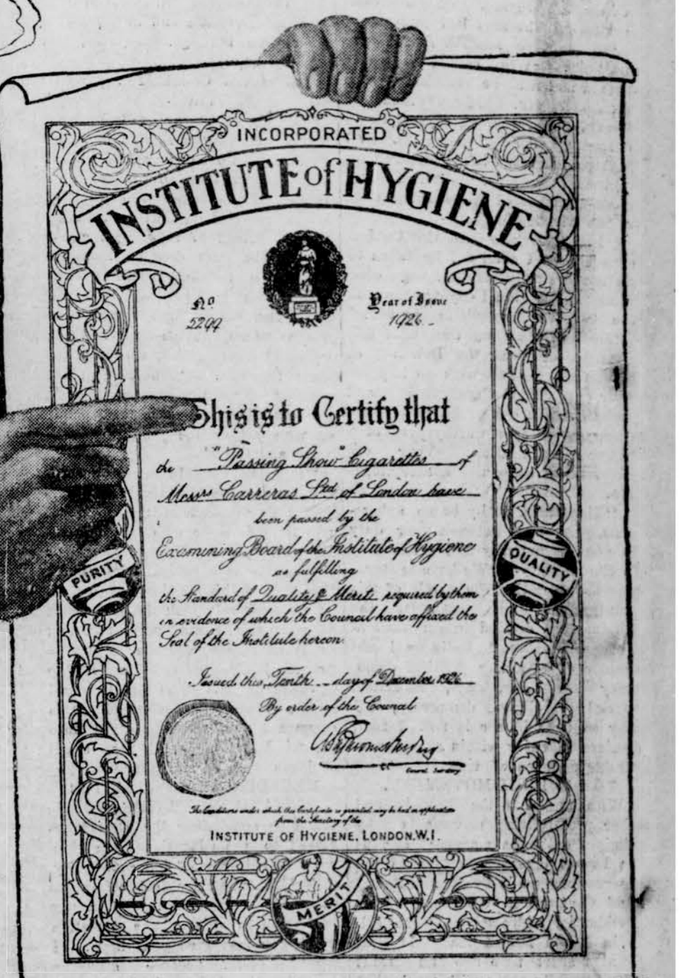
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Mr. L. R. Tairsee, President of the Indian Merchants' Chamber, gave a Dinner on Tuesday. at the Taj Mahal Hotel, to meet the principal Consuls in Bombay.

TOAST OF GUESTS.

After the toast of His Majesty the King Emperor, Mr. Tairsee proposed the toast of the principal Consuls present at the Dinner, and spoke as follows:—

Sir George Schuster and Gentlemen,

I am gratified to find that the corps Consulaire d'Carriere in Bombay have been pleased to accept my invitation to this dinner of the leading members of the Indian commercial community. The first hand contact of the Indian commercial community with the greater world of international commerce, outside their own country, is just beginning to grow, as much by the increasing travel and intercourse of Indian merchants abroad, as by the personal touch beginning to be cultivated between the merchants of this country and the representatives of industrial and commercial interests from the great countries overseas.

INDIA'S HANDICAP.

It will, of course, be no news to the company gathered here that India is now the only one among the great Dominions of the British Commonwealth of Nations, which has not yet got the privilege of having her own diplomatic representatives in the principal foreign countries with which this country might be intmate intercourse. That fact alone makes the direct relationship between the Indian mercantile world and the accredited representatives of the foreign trading nations of peculiar significance, unequalled in similar contacts in other countries.

"APPROACHING THROUGH STOMACH."

Before, however, I ask you, Gentlemen, to drink to the health of our guests of the corps *consulaire do carriere*, will you permit me to say that the consular representatives of several countries, in ordinary times, are far more important and beneficial than the more dignified representativts of nations *inter se* who are known as Ambassadors or Plenipotentiaries. The latter are, of course, far more considerable personages in the concert of nations; but to the humbler sphere of the commercial word, and, may I add, even in the less visible but more important matters of cultumal intercourse,—the Consuls are indeed the most considerable. Political differences or negotiations, which mainly concern and interest the ambassadors of nations *inter se* are, relatively speaking, of rare, or at least of infrequent occurrence, and lukcily so, in my opinion, for peace upon earth and goodwill among men. But commercial concerns are of everyday occurrence; and the good offices of Consuls are requisitioned almost daily, not only to settle differences among mutually good customers of different countries but to promote trade and intercourse in the best possible manner. I am aware, indeed, of that pithy worldly saying, which advises approach through the stomach if one is seeking a way to a man's heart; and I am not unmindful of that other sage advise of Mr. Punch which told a wife distracted by the vagaries of "a most exacting husband," and anxious to keep him ever pleased, "Feed him", But Sir George Schuster and Gentlemen. I can count upon you not to recall these saying of the sages of Britain to my disadvantage. and misconstrue the motives of asking you to this pleasant function. With confidence I can count upon your goodwill to draw upon you at full hundred present with a like certainty that you will accept the Bill.

CULTURAL CONTACT.

When I spoke of you as excellent institutions to promote trade and intercourse and general amity between nations, I was not thinking so much of the advertising value, which is nil, of such gatherings and amenities as of the possibility of avoiding many an unpleasantness through our good offices in the commercial world, and at the same time promoting mutual goodwill among customers of different nations, which, in the absence of some such institution, might be very much and very constantly endangered. But greater by far than the amenities of commercial intercourse among nations, is, to my mind, the need and possibility of promoting cultural intercourse among the peoples of the globe.

This I trust, will be the beginning of many such occasions on which the leaders of the Indian commercial world could meet in direct intercourse the representives of commercial and industries countries from beyond the seas; and I likewise trust and hope the growing frequency of such opportunities will result in a substantial addition to mutual esteem and good feeling.

I now ask you Gentlemen, to drink to the health of our guests of the "Corps Consulaire d'Carriere" in Bombay."

DR. AMADEU DA SILVA'S REPLY.

Dr. Amadeu da Silva, Consul General for Portugal and the Doyen of the Foreign Consuls in Bombay, in replying to the toast, said:—

"Mr. Chairman,—On behalf of the Consular Corps of "carriere" whose Doyen I have the honour to be, I thank you and the Committee Members of the Indian Merchants' Chamber for your kind invitation to this Dinner, which has given us the honour and the pleasure of meeting not only the leading members of the Indian Commercial Community of Bombay but also the distinguished person of the Hon'ble Sir George Schuster, Finance Member of the Government of India.

THE MORAL SIGNIFICANCE.

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PARTITION OF ANCESTRAL ESTATE

CAN GRAND MOTHER SHARE?

IMPORTANT HIGH COURT DECISION

Wasudeo Sagarmal Garodia ... Plaintiff.
vs.
Sagarmal Mahadeo Garodia and others. Defendants

In the above matter in the Bombay High Court, His Lordship the Hon. Mr. Justice Davar delivered an important judgment on the 12th instant wherein he considered the rights of a grand mother under Hindu Law to take a share on partition in a suit filed by her grand son against his father, mother and grand mother.

The facts of the case are that one Mahadev Gulraj a Marwadi inhabitant of Bombay died in 1919 leaving moveable and immoveable properties of large value and left him surviving his only heirs his widow Jamnabai and his adopted son Sagarmal. The said Sagarmal has a son Wasudeo a boy of 8 years who in 1927 filed the above suit against his father the said Sagarmal, his mother and grand mother for partition of the estate of his grand father Mahadeo.

It is necessary to set out in detail the previous history of the various litigations that took place in respect of the estate.

Originally all the properties belonged to Gulraj Doongersey Garodia who died in or about 1912 leaving three sons Ramdoe Haribux and Mahadeo. The said Haribux predeceased his father Gulraj leaving 2 sons Dwarkadas Haribux and Shridhar Haribux and a daughter named Bhagwandevi. The said Haribux also left a widow Namdevibai and the said Gulraj, left a widow Bai Chandabai.

A CONSENT DECREE.

After the death of Gulraj Ramdeo and his son Motilal filed a suit for partition of the estate and a elaborate consent decree was taken in that suit. By the said consent decree the shares of the parties were ascertained but the immoveable properties were ordered to be kept joint and undivided until the last of the minors attained majority, the last of the minors being the defendant first herein Sagarmal Mahadeo Garodia who attained majority on 16th October 127. By the said consent decree a provision was made for Bai Chandabai as under:—

And this Court by and with such consent further order that on the death of Bai Chandabai died without leaving a Will the sum of Rs. 8,000 shall be expended out of the property coming to her share for the funeral and obsequiel ceremonies after the death and that the rest of the property as also 4th share of the plaintiff in the hands of the Special Commissioner set apart for the said Bai Chandabai for life as hereinbefore provided and the 4th share of the residue of the joint-family coming to the 5th defendant Chandabai for life be divided firstly among the 2nd plaintiff Motilal Ramdeo, secondly the 4th defendant Sagarmal Mahadeo and thirdly the 2nd and 3rd defendants Dwarkadas Haribux and Shridhar Haribux jointly.

The said Mahadeo Gulraj died in 1919 intestate and the said Chandabai died in 1921 intestate.

This suit is filed on behalf of Wasudeo Sagarmal by his next friend on the grounds that the defendant Sagarmal Mahadeo has been incurring very large debts and trying to alienate the estate to the prejudice of the minor plaintiff. The 1st defendant has filed his written statement in which he denies all the allegations made in the plaint. The 1st defendant further contends that the plaintiff being the minor the suit would not lie for partition. The 1st defendant further submits that the amount in the hands of the Special Commissioner set apart for Chandabai does not form part of the joint family in which any of the parties to the suit are interested but that he is entited absolutely to the monies which now amount to about Rs. 50,000 in the hands of the Special Commissioner Mr. P. C. Sethna. The 1st defendant further contends in his written statement that all the allegations in the plaint made against him are false and malicious and made through the influence of Ramdeo Gulraj who has been subsequently ordered to render accounts on the basis of wilful default for mismanaging the estate. Yet the 1st defendant is willing that the property should be partitioned provided no share thereof is given to her adoptive mother Jamnabai widow of Mahadeo Gulraj.

The 3rd defendant Bai Jamnabai, widow of Mahadeo Gulraj has put in her written statement dated 22nd November 1928 whereby she contends that the 1st defendant Sagarmal Mahadeo is not absolutely entitled to the monies in the hands of the Special Commissioner but that the said monies form part of the joint family property and that she is entitled to 1/3rd share on partition. In delivering the judgment His Lordship held that the parties were governed by the Mitakshra law being the law of their origin and according to the law governing the parties Bai Jamnabai the 3rd defendant who is the grand mother of the plaintiff is not entitled to any share on partition, this being a case when the grand son sues for partition of the ancestral estate in the life time of his father. His Lordship in support of his contention referred to the various authorities and text books of Hindu law. His Lordship further held that according to the construction of the consent decree in Suit No. 43 of 1912 the sum of about Rs. 50,000 lying in the hands of the Special Commissioner Mr. P. C. Sethna belonged absolutely to Sagarmal Mahadeo and that none of the parties are interested. His Lordship further ordered that the defendant Bai Jamnabai widow of Mahadeo Gulraj do pay the costs of the parties as regards the issues raised in the suit and decided against her.

This case is decided on a very important point of Hindu Law as to whether a widow grand mother is entitled to a share on partition in a suit filed by her grandson for partition of the ancestral estate in the life time of his father.

The case was argued on behalf of the plaintiff and 2nd defendant by Messrs. B. J. Desai and K. M. Munshi instructed by Messrs. Hiralal M. Mehta and Co. On behalf of the 1st defendant Sagarmal Mahadeo by Messrs. D. F. Mulla. V. G. Dalvi and C. K. Daphtary instructed by Messrs. Rele and Co., and on behalf of the grandmother Jamnabai the 3rd defendant by Sir Chimanlal Setalvad and Mr. Engineer instructed by Messrs. Motichand and Devidas.

TENNIS THREAT TO GOOD LOOKS

PRETTY GIRLS WHO BECOME VERY PLAIN

Women tennis enthusiasts have one "danger" to guard against —the tendency for good looks to be spoiled. This was the opinion expressed by Mr. H. S. Scrivener, the lawn tennis referee, to a reporter following the announcement that Frl. Cilli Aussem, the German woman lawn tennis champion, has been ordered to give up playing owing to serious eye trouble.

Mr. Scrivener said that he did not consider tennis was any more harmful than other games. "Frl. Assum's is an isolated case, and I cannot recall any previous occasion of a well-known player having to give up the game because of eye-strain. I myself am near-sighted, and wear glasses, but that has not prevented me from playing tennis all my life, with not the slightest ill-effect. But the constant strain of looking either at the ball or your opponent the whole time does undoubtedly tend to develop a fixed and hard expression which is only too apparent in the case of many women players. There are cases of first-class players who, starting as really pretty girls, have become so strained in their expressions that they are now positively plain looking.

"The only other danger of tennis is the well-known 'tennis elbow,' the pain of which has caused many players to give up. But doctors are gradually discovering how to deal with this trouble—dieting is one way—and there are far fewer cases of players giving up now than formerly."

Mr. L. A. Godfree, the well-known player, said that tennis had no harmful effects whatever. "You have only to think of some of the veterans who have played all their lives without the least harm to their health or eyesight to realise that there are no grounds for uneasiness," he said. "There is certainly 'tennis elbow,' but my opinion is that the trouble is caused by anything and everything but tennis. I see no reason why Frl. Aussem's misfortune should cause any misgivings to the most constant player."

A doctor was equally emphatic that tennis does not cause any undue strain either to the eyesight or to the muscles. "Any game naturally imposes an extra strain which will soon discover latent weaknesses," he aisd, "but there is no reason that I can see why a sound-bodied man or woman should not play the most strenuous tennis year in and year out without any harm, always provided reasonable care is taken to relax in between games."

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VIEWS OF LEADING CRICKETERS.

There is a widespread feeling among those who play cricket, and especially among those who watch it, that the pace of the game is becoming too slow and that something should be done to quicken it. The question was much debated at the end of the last country season, and it has been raised afresh by the long-drawn-out Test matches in Australia.

Some of the reformers would prohibit all artificial preparation of wickets, others would increase the size of the stumps, making them higher, or broader, or both, while others, again would alter the leg-before-wicket rule in favour of the bowler. All the suggestions, indeed, are made with the aim of giving the bowler, especially the fast bowler, a better chance. There is also a considerable body of cricketing opinion in favour of leaving the gameexactly as it is—a view which is naturally more common among batsmen than among bowlers.

We invited a number of leading cricketers to give their opinions as to what, if any, changes should be made in the conditions of the game, and we print below the answers they have sent us.

GEORGE HIRST (YORKSHIRE.)

A groundsman, in my opinion, can do all that is needed to top the high rate of scoring. As I am not now playing first-class cricket I don't care to say much about changes. Club cricketers in general have not, I notice asked for a change in the game. They are the people to study, being the majority of cricketers and as a rule scoring runs more quickly than first-class cricketers. If the rules are altered club cricket should have a big say.

DICK TYLDESLEY (LANCASHIRE.)

The sooner we go back to natural wickets the better it will be for every bowler, and also for cricket in general. What does the bowler get under the present rules? The wickets are like billiard-tables; the batsman gets the benefit of the doubt; the bowler gets nothing. I think the leg-before rule should be made to read: "If the ball pitches in a direct line from wicket to wicket, and would hit the wicket, and the batsman plays the ball on to his pads but does not alter the course of the ball, he is out."

J. W. HEARNE (MIDDLESEX.)

I do not consider that anything should be altered in the rules of cricket or in the preparation of the wickets. The bowlers come into their own quite enough when rain comes, and we usually get plenty of that. The conditions in Australia are so different and, with the hours of play shorter, their matches must always last longer than ours. The only alteration I would make to help any bowler is to have the stumps two or three inches higher.

F. ROOT (WORCESTERSHIRE)

Each and every effort of the modern groundsman is to please the batsman, for the quality of his handiwork is invariably measured up by his committee by the number of runs scored on the wicket he prepares. Huge totals, and the groundsman soon earns a wonderful reputation. After a succession of small scores he generaly loses his job! In my view this is all wrong, but were I a groundsman I should certainly lean to the "buttered side of my bread." From a bowler's point of view all artificial preparations are unfair, and should be abolished, but the M.C.C. clearly show their attitude on the question by allowing even nature's help to be counteracted by the covering of wickets. Brighter cricket would certainly be encouraged if wickets were less perfect, for most batsmen will admit that if the wicket is a "wee bit sporty" they get on with their business of scoring runs as quickly as possible, but on a cast-iron starched variety they simply "play for keeps" and wait for certainties, wisely taking no risks.

GEORGE GUNN (NOTTS.)

I am afraid I am one of the conservatives of the game so far as my attitude towards suggested changes is concerned. Indeed the only change that I would advocate would be as to the length of time allotted to Test matches in this country. Under the four days' limit these can never be anything but a farce, for if one side goes in with the fixed determination to sit on the splice then the game is certain to be drawn. My idea is that there should be only three Tests, and that these should be played to a finish Our wickets would not last as they do in Australia, and the matches would stand a good chance of completion within a week. With only three Tests the country programme would not seriously be interfered ith. I do not see the need for any change uin the matter of preparing the wickets to-day are no better than they were 25 years ago. In many cases they are worse. The smaller ball was brought in to help the bowler. Actually I believe it has helped the batsman, for it has come from the bat at a faster pace. I believe that if we leave the good old game alone things will read just themselves.

MAJOR L. GREEN (LANCASHIRE.

It appears to me that it would be undesirable to make any drastic changes. Personally, I am inclined to think that it might be advantageous to increase the height of the stumps by one inch. Not only would this cause some of the best balls delivered by a fast bowler to take effect but it would tend to make the batsman play more often at the ball, thereby increasing the possibility of catches behind the wicket and in the slips. The same applies to the other types of bowlers, but especially so to the slow left-hand spin bowlers whom many critics would like to encourage. With the suggestion of prohibiting entirely the use of marl, &c., I am not in entire agreement. Grounds obviously differ very considerably, and authorities state that it is essential for grounds with certain types of subsoil to be artificially treated if they are to last the requisite time. The best groundsmen on good grounds can make wickets with a reasonable chance of a good side making 300 runs, but probably not many more The same man can make wicket on which the same side could be expected to make 500 runs. I am entirely in agreement that instructions be given for the preparation ofwickets of the non-super type; this can be done on most grounds. Occasion arose last season when it was necessary to play on a badly prepared marl wicket in the South. Many stoppages had to be made owing to the batsmen being injured, the batting was naturally rather indifferent, and I do not think the spectators really enjoyed the experience.

I think the above suggestions might be tried during one season in first-class cricket, at the end of which a general view could be taken and additions made if deemed necessary.

The lbw rule might be revised whereby a batsman is out lbw, even though he hit the ball, provided it was pitched on the wicket and would have hit it.

A. WADDINGTON (YORKSHIRE.)

Tampering with the wicket has only been in vogue for about the last fifty years. Natural marl wickets are both quick and in the case of wet weather are beautiful froma bowler's and potator's standpoint, as they play like gluepot. So that should not be interfered with, neither should the implements of the game. What the trouble with wickets now is what the groundsman calls "artificial manure." which is nothing else but cow dung, and we Yorkshire know this aswell as anyo Of course it is only natural if a ma lasts only two days, say, a Lancashire and Yorkshire match, the batsman d not give the bowlers, any credit, but blame the wicket. Incidentally, on the carpet comes the groundsm His job is to satisfy the "star" batsmen and the people who count the gate receipts. One of these groundsm who had no doubt been before the "beak" on a few occasions, had brain wave and tried cow dung. This kills the pace of the wicket and lays the grass dead flat. Batsmen get going on a wicket like this and, as I've found it myself, think it a shame to get out. Therefore no risky scoring shot is played. Bowler tire of maiden after maiden, s chuck up some tripe, and that's what up-to-date batsmen wait for,. Let country cricket be played on natural grass wickets, with no preparation whatever, and you would see the game come back into its own in one seaso Wickets watered and rolled are good enough for three-day matches, and if the match does not last three days congratulate the bowlers and the groundsmen (don't sack him). I've known groundmen dismissed because If batsmen, after being out, coming into the pavilion and saying "not fit to play on.

N. V. H. RICHES (GLAMORGAN).

I am most emphatically against alter ring any of the laws of cricket of the lbw rule in particular, as an experiment tried in minor county cricket, before the war, reduced the game to a farce). If any alteration must be made, it might possibly be done, without injury to the game, by slightly widenining the stumps or raising them, or both. Personally, I am strongly of the opinion that no alteration will make any material difference, and that the only cure for imiting prolific scoring is more and better "spin" bowlers of the type seen twenty years ago, Batting, on the whole, has improved and bowling sadly deteriorated.

H. CREBER (GLAMORGAN GROUNDSMAN).

Brightening cricket lies entirely with the Selection Committees. If they would only pick those batsmen, and bowlers, who are willing to take risks and play for their side, and leave out those who only play for their own notoriety, cricket would soon get back to the days when cricket was worth going a long way to see, and play. Then there is the swerve bogry. Ever since I can remember we have been able to make a ball swerve, but of recent years it has been the bowler's sole ambition, and now when they try to turn a ball they go all to rags. As to preparation of wickets, I would suggest there is no better plan than to let each individual professional groundsman use his own skill in his own particular case. I am sure it would be extremely difficult to standardise wickets, because one rarely sees the composition of soil or conditions on two grounds alike. For instance, my ground is nothing but sea sand and gets terribly cut up with hockey and football, and on International (Rugby) days temporary stands to hold 10,000 are placed across the wickets. Compare it with Old Trafford! They require totally different preparations. Lord's and the Oval are different too. If all grounds were alike no skill or science would be required, but I have yet to see the wicket that Syd Barnes could not turn them on.

PERCY HOLMES (YORKSHIRE.)

My opinion is: Leave the game of cricket alone. But in case of the wicket being prepared (some wickets have to be, otherwise they would not be fit to play on, it should be prepared with marl, and marl only, not a mixture of cow manure and marl. All players know that marl good makes wickets for the batsmen when, dry, and after rain of which England gets its share makes a bad wicket for the batsmen and a good bowler's wicket. What could be fairer than that?

A. C. RUSSELL (ESSEX).

My opinion regarding cricket is that the game should be left at as it already is, without any alteration whatever.

C. PARKER (GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

All that is required is to let the wickets alone. Keep away all artificial preparations. Most cricketers don't mind a little marl to quicken the pace of the wicket, but keep all these patent preparations off it, as they take all the pace out of the wicket. Also, why should batsmen always be given benefit of the doubt in a leg-before appeal? On fast, true wickets, the benefit of the doubt should be given to the bowler, and on wickets helping the bowler it should be given to the batsmen. All batsmen get in front because they know theywill be given the benefit of the doubt.

R. E. S. WYATT (WARWICKSHIRE.

I am not in favour of altering the laws of cricket in any way whatever In my opinion all artificial preparations, with the exception of marl should be prohibited. The bowler has a fair chance on a good fast wicket, but there are certain preparations which tend to deaden the wicket, and this, I think., is the reason for so many unfinished matches. If this did not bring about the desired result the wicket might be enlarged slightly with advantage.

H. RYLANCE (LANCASHIRE SECRETARY).

Prepare good fast wickets. These can be prepared with proper and careful attention and without the use of too much marl and artificial manures. Do away with first-innings points. Give two points for a win and one point for a draw, or one point for a win and a quarter point for a draw. Under this system it will encourage counties to make an effort to win their matches. When matches start on a perfect wicket it is common knowledge that the majority of the counties set out in the first place to win on the first innings, as they consider there is little prospect of the sides completing wo innings each. With this object in view players will not force the game. Ever since the first-innings points were in force slow play has been on the increase. Encourage counties to win their matches, and in a few years time we should have much brighter batting, and, of course the batting in Test matches in England would naturally follow.

F. BARRATT (NOTTS.)

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